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# GERMANS BURN 19 Dead In TO DEATH IN U.K. Pit Blast

Berlin, Aug. 23. About 24 Germans, mostly workers returning to suburban homes for the Sunday from their jobs in Berlin, were today burned to death and an estimated 50 injured in a train fire. They were all in a single carriage which burst suddenly into fierce flames as the train was moving near Kremmen in the Soviet Zone.

Half the injured are expected to die.

It is believed that the fire broke out when sparks from the engine set light to rolls of cinema film in the wooden day-carriage.

Although an alarm was sounded 30 seconds later, the wind in the glassless windows whipped the flames through the car and caused a panic.

The casualty list grew when most of the estimated 60 to 70 passengers nearly all tried to rush to the rear door and escape. Some jumped out of windows.

Police immediately cordoned off the scene.

The German news agency in the British Zone later reported that 24 people were killed and 49 injured when the carriage of the train in which they were travelling from work in Berlin to homes in the Soviet Zone suburbs burst into flames today. —Reuter.

## SEARCH CONTINUES

Nanking, Aug. 24. An official Chinese Air Force release said today the search is continuing without result in far west China for a transport missing since July 31 with 25 persons aboard, including American Correspondent Barbara Stephens. —Associated Press.

General Marshall then asked M. Molotov that the Commission report to their respective governments so that each "may immediately consider what further steps may usefully be taken to achieve the aims of the Moscow Agreement — an independent, united Korea which can take its proper place among the United Nations."

General Marshall pointed out in an earlier letter to M. Molotov, written on May 2, he had clarified the United States Agreement on the issue at present in dispute—consultation with all Korean political parties and social groups—"in order to avoid future misunderstanding."

His letter added: "In your reply of May 7 you did not take exception to this position."

## Persian Army Is 'Quite Big'

Southampton, Aug. 23. "The Persian Army is 100,000 strong," said General Prince Alouf, the Persian Army Commander, after he landed at Southampton today from the Gdynia-America liner "Batory."

The General has been on a two-month visit to American war plants and factories. He will make a similar tour of Britain.

"The Persian Army, proportionately speaking, is quite big and I want to get a few ideas so that we may make the Persian Army a first-rate mobile fighting force. At present all our aeroplanes are British but in future we may buy some American machines as well," the General added. —Reuter.

## "CAREER CONSULS" REJECTED

Lake Success, Aug. 22. Russia today rejected the American-supported plan for allowing "career consuls" in Batavia to follow up the United Nations Security Council's cease fire order in Indonesia.

Mr. Andrei Gromyko, deputy Soviet Foreign Minister, said three consuls—those of Britain, France and the United States—represented countries favourable to the Netherlands, which he described as the "guilty party".

Mr. Gromyko reiterated his demand for immediate United Nations action to send cease fire observers to Indonesia, together with an impartial United Nations Commission to arbitrate the issue.

In view of the tough Soviet opposition to using consuls now in Batavia as United Nations observers, American officials were reported willing to agree instead to a team of observers representing the eleven countries of the Council—a combination more appropriate to Russia's sanction. —United Press.

London, Aug. 24. A midnight explosion and a flash of flame killed 19 coal miners and badly burnt five others in the "Louisa" pit at Stanley, County Durham, yesterday.

It was Britain's second major mine disaster in eight days.

Thirty-year-old Harry Robinson graphically described the grim scene which he, and his comrades, found when they fought their way to the seat of the explosion.

"At the entrance to the Hutton seam, we found three men huddled together," he said. "Two of them were moaning. We carried them to a drift, where there was some air, gave the alarm to the surface, then went back."

"The men were huddled together in groups. Some of them had their clothes ripped off. We did not know how many were dead."

In hot gas, air, the rescuers' repulse—a small bird used to detect gas—died. Robinson and his comrades staggered and men in oxygen masks arrived just in time to drag them to safety. Their courage had saved the three burnt men, others said.

At the pithead, three women collapsed when they learned that their husbands were safe.

A week ago, 104 miners died at Whitehaven, Cumberland, in the worst pit explosion in Britain's history since 1934. —Reuter.

## Rebuke To Critics

London, Aug. 23. A rebuke to those "prone to criticize American ships, shipping policy and seafarers" appears in the annual report, published today, of the Officer (Merchant Navy) Federation, representing more than 30,000 British officers.

"It was well that the United States had the vision and ability to build hundreds of fast, spacious ships when our shipyards were given over essentially to the construction of naval craft," the report declared.

The report takes issue with those who argue that the bulk of American exports should be "carried in American bottoms." "None has yet explained," it says, "how Britain, her principal customer, can pay for American goods unless they be paid for ultimately in gold, in goods, or in service—notably shipping services." —Reuter.

## CONSUL'S PARTY FOR DR. SUN FO

Macao, Aug. 24. The British Consul here today gave a cocktail party in honour of China's Vice President Dr. Sun Fo.

Accompanied by members of his family, Dr. Sun returned to Macao from his native village in Chungshan district yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Sun was welcomed at the Portuguese-Chinese border by the Acting Governor of Macao, who escorted the Vice President to the Government House as guest.

Dr. Sun and members of his family will be leaving aboard a Chinese warship tomorrow for a visit to Canton. —Central News.

## Moffit's A Bit Ratty-But He Has A Lot Of Fun

San Francisco, Aug. 24. Rats—the terror of women and a boon to medical science—are potential miniature racing thoroughbreds to Edward Moffit, San Francisco craftsman and nature lover.

Moffit has a stable of 50 racing rats at his home.

He also has a newly-patented rat race track elaborately equipped with six treadmills, dials, buzzers, trick lights and bells which set up a clamour when the winner crosses the "finishing line."

He is sure that his is the only rat race of its kind in the world and that the sport of racing rats and breeding rodent thoroughbreds is the coming thing.

"The Little Men" "Look at all the little people of the world," he said in a philosophical mood.

"Most of them have been in the human treadmill all their lives, going around in circles and getting no place."

"They love to watch my rats do the same thing."

"The six wheels on which the rats run are enclosed in a wood and plastic structure two feet high and about eight feet wide."

A window in front of each treadmill and the wheels are connected to a dial which measures the distance travelled. There are buzzers and lights on the board above each treadmill and a nameplate for each entry.

Demonstrating, Moffit recently selected several sleek racers about six months old and placed them lovingly on the treadmills. He set the dials at "start" and banged a gong.

## "A Free Airport In Your Own Backyard"

Los Angeles, Aug. 24. A free airport—practically in your own back yard—is the newest dream of public planners in Los Angeles. Supervisors are studying a proposal to encourage builders to provide landing strips in the heart of new subdivisions. Builders like the idea because they believe the airstrips would enhance the commercial value of the surrounding land. Credit for the idea goes to William J. Fox, regional planning commission chief and wartime marine flyer. The board of supervisors has given Fox a go-ahead and asked for a full report on the legal aspects. —Associated Press.

## Watery War On The Left Bank Of The Seine

Paris, Aug. 24. The solid citizens of the Dauphine Quarter, on the left bank, declared a watery war today on the free young livers of Tabou. A full-scale offensive has begun.

Tabou is a large musty cave under the Rue Dauphine with a juke box and rows of rickety tables where Jean-Paul Sartre and his Existentialists used to hold clandestine meetings, but were soon driven out by the free livers.

Most Paris night clubs are closed by the vacation lull, but Tabou is running full blast. Hundreds of latter-day Surrealists, with various ideas of dress and undress, boys and girls from 15 to 40 (about half of them Americans) keep the place jumping from 10 till well after dawn—or did.

Last night, the solid citizens of the Quarter began to take revenge for months of sleepless nights.

They dumped water on the Tabouists below. The Tabouists came up to the street and shouted curses at the citizens. The solid citizens dumped more water.

More Tabouists came out and shouted up at the dim shapes in nightgowns and pyjamas at every window on both sides of the street.

The shapes answered with torrents of water from dishpans, wash basins, chamber pots and laundry buckets.

The police came but only hovered against the buildings, ducking every now and then.

## Family Affair

"We have no orders to take sides," one policeman explained. "It's a sort of long-standing family affair and we just want to make sure they don't throw the buckets too."

"Are we going to take this lying down?" someone shouted at several couples huddled in a doorway.

"No!" replied a girl. She slipped off her shoes, skirt and blouse and rushed out to the middle of the street in nothing but her underwear and jewelry, and began dancing about in the downpour.

"Bravo," shouted the Tabouists, and about 20 of them followed suit.

Today the solid citizens sent an open letter to the Commissioner of Police via the Paris newspapers.

"In view of your apparent inability to do anything about this noise," M. le Commissaire," it said, "we, the fathers and mothers of families, all honest workers, have decided to do our own policing and to hold you responsible for the consequences."

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## DEAD-END KIDS. LOOT COAL

A gang of over 30 hoodlums, including a number of "dead-end kids," helped themselves to lumps of coal being unloaded by coolies from a Wang Kee Co. junk to the Gas Co.'s yards at 3 p.m. yesterday.

When foreman of the Wang Kee Co. arrived he was pushed into the water by the gang.

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## Lottery On Shanghai Dancers

Shanghai, Aug. 24. The Chinese authorities in Shanghai have submitted a proposal to Nanking for a lot-drawing to determine which dance halls are to close first under Nationalist China's new austerity programme.

The proposal calls for the closure of the city's dance halls within three periods as yet to be determined.

At the same time, the City Government here is considering a suggestion by one of its members for the daily closing hour of places of amusement to be advanced from midnight to 11 p.m. as a means of conserving electric power.

In the meanwhile, although Nanking has decided in principle to outlaw dancing throughout China, no date has yet been set for the ban to go into effect. —Associated Press.

## Readers' Letters

Pavement Pests

Sir—Many residents have remarked that it is high time the police took action in clearing the public pavements of the hundreds of weedy coolies and others who day after day impede the progress of pedestrians. These unsightly features of life in a small area of Hong Kong should not be tolerated.

In former years they certainly were not accepted as inevitable. One has only to view the immediate neighbourhood of Statue Square on an evening alone to see how regretfully tolerant the community in an alleged British colony has become.

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## ISLAMIC UNION MEETING

The annual meeting of the Islamic Union, was held at the Mohammedan Cemetery yesterday. New rules and regulations of the Association were amended and the following new members were elected to serve on the committee for the ensuing year:

Chairman: R. M. Omar; Vice Chairman: J. Akbar; Secretary: A. A. Rahman; Treasurer: O. R. Siddik.

Committee Members: Messrs. M. Husein, K. M. Rumeish, A. A. Abbas, M. A. Wahab, I. K. Kitchell and M. I. Razack, with A. O. Madar, A. M. Rafeek and A. M. Wahab (ex-officio).

## SUB-INSPECTOR'S CONDITION

Sub-Inspector R.F. Bell, who was removed to Kowloon Hospital on Saturday suffering from a suspected fractured spine sustained while he was testing out a learner-driver at King's Park, was up to a late hour yesterday, "feeling quickly."

After a thorough examination, hopes were held out that the injuries might not prove as serious at first thought.

## VERANDAH COLLAPSE

The inmates of 55 Queen's Road Central were given a rude shock at about 7 a.m. yesterday, when the second floor verandah suddenly collapsed. There were no casualties.

The ground floor is occupied by the Road & Watch Company and business was temporarily suspended yesterday to enable workmen to shore up the first-floor verandah, which showed signs of sagging.

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## "DUTCH RATTLE TERAUCHI'S SKELETON"

(By Charles A. Grumlich) New York, Aug. 24. The Netherlands are rattling the skeleton of the late Japanese Field Marshal Count Terauchi in the apparent hope of convincing world opinion that the Republic of Indonesia is an illegitimate offspring of Japan's "co-prosperity sphere." The Dutch appear to be reviving this argument to offset the widespread inclination to side with the Indonesians as underdogs against Europeans who have ruled the Indies for three centuries.

This inclination, the Dutch feel, is placing them at a disadvantage in all discussions of the Indonesian conflict. Hubertus Van Mook, acting Governor-General of the Indies, last week revived the theme that Terauchi indoctrinated Indonesian President Soekarno and Vice President Mohammed Hatta with the independence bug.

This theme was first expounded by Dutch spokesmen to a few of our foreign correspondents who arrived at Batavia on September 16, 1945, in a British cruiser squadron accompanied by the Dutch fleet leader "Tromp" carrying scars of war and a wistful Dutch hope of a "welcome home" to the Indies. We were called a "pro-occupation party." There were not enough troops ready for a full blown Allied occupation. That came more than a fortnight later when the trouble began.

We found peace and cheers along the way to the sumptuous Hotel Des Indes in Batavia. Then gradually the situation soured as the Indonesians figured that behind the British naval entry a force was building for the return of Dutch rule backed by armed might if necessary.

A Dutch spokesman told us then that his government would offer amnesty to Indonesians who would give up ideas of overturning Dutch sovereignty. He said Soekarno and Hatta were Japanese puppets. He acknowledged both had been exiled from Java by the Dutch for their political activity in behalf of independence long before the Japanese came.

The villain drawn into the piece, Count Terauchi, was nowhere about at that time. He was at his headquarters in Saigon, Indochina. The British said Terauchi was a combination of all the evil they could think of—until they learned to pacify him with Scotch whisky.

Terauchi, a picturesque figure with a shiny bald head the colour of old ivory, was the War Minister who made Japan abandon the plan to hold the Olympic Games in Tokyo in 1940 on the ground that running and jumping was almost foolhardiness not calculated to build any empires. Moreover, it might give the Japanese youths some awkward ideas of friendliness toward other peoples.

Terauchi was opposite number to Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten and he was stubborn. Also he was a cripple from a paralytic stroke some months before. He was there-

fore excused from the Singapore surrender ceremony of September 12, 1945. Mountbatten had his own Royal Navy physician in Saigon with instructions to rally the elderly and feeble Japanese, if possible, to a point where he would be able to stand unassisted and hand over his heirloom Samurai sword at some future time.

## Scotch Whisky

Terauchi was an ornery convalescent and this had great military importance in the immediate postwar mop-up. He still commanded a great unbeaten Southeast Asia Army which outnumbered the Allied occupation forces. He was, of course, under the command of Mountbatten after the surrender.

But he demurred on many orders and for a while complicated the Allied occupation no end. Then the British discovered his addition to good Scotch. They devised a military medicine formula—give the old rascal enough for purposes of amiability but not enough to kill him off before he could surrender.

Finally, Terauchi was carried in a common chair into the garden of a government palace at Saigon in mid-autumn 1945, and tottered the last few steps to give up his centuries-old sword. He said he would do all in his power to effect the orders of Mountbatten and kept his promise thereafter.

The Count died of cerebral hemorrhage at Johore more than a year ago as Mountbatten was rising to a Viscounty and headed for the Viceroy job in India and an Earl-dom.

Mountbatten has just handed British India back to the Indians and remains as Governor-General of Hindustan with an obvious hope of selling liberated India on permanent union as a Dominion in the British Commonwealth. —Associated Press.

## HIT BY LORRY

Wong Hung, 41, said to be slightly deaf, was knocked down by lorry-bus 5551 (driven by Wong Hing) at the Jordan Road ferry wharf turnabout at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, sustaining injuries to his knees and ankles. He was treated at the Kowloon Hospital but not detained.

## Police Raid Burmese Newspaper

Rangoon, Aug. 23. The Burmese police today raided the premises of "Bamakhit," a leading Burmese daily, arrested the Editor and Publisher, and seized some important documents from the press.

It is alleged that the arrested men were connected with the illegal "Red Flag" Communist Party and with U Wan Maung, leader of the police strike movement who is in custody.

U Aung Chien, the Police Commissioner, expressed satisfaction today over the "marked improvement" in Rangoon where 48 hours have passed without any untoward incident.

He said he thought it indicated a good response on the part of armed units as well as from the public to his appeal earlier this week against the misuse of firearms. He is maintaining all possible security measures.

The Burmese press today reported that Premier Thakin Nu met a number of Burmese newspapers editors yesterday and discussed with them "measures for combating Foreign Press reports that might be detrimental to Burmese interests."

## U.S. TO TRAIN CHIANG'S TROOPS?

Moscow, Aug. 24. The Soviet Navy newspaper "Red Fleet" said on Friday that the United States is preparing to arm and train 20 divisions for the Chinese Nationalists, led by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek up to \$2,000,000,000 and receive "unlimited control" over Chinese policy.

The article alleged that the United States will send "highly trained" troops to China. It attacked General Albert Wedemeyer's fast-moving mission in China, saying that "the problem of Wedemeyer's mission is to tie the 'Kumintang' to the 'Nationalist' army and to prevent it from being a 'wild' force."

Press reports have no doubt of the confidence in the United States. Meanwhile, the British Government has announced that it will send a mission to China.

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# British Appeal To France

## Paris Asked To Permit 4,500 Jews To Enter From British Zone By Train On Humanitarian Grounds

London, Aug. 23. Britain has formally asked France to accept the 4,500 would-be Jewish immigrants taken off the "President Warfield." They are now sailing under British escort to Hamburg, and a request that France receive them by train was delivered by Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, British Ambassador to France, this morning.

"His Majesty's Government have requested the French Government to receive back into France by train via the British Zone of Germany the 4,500 illegal Jewish immigrants now on their way to Hamburg," says an official Foreign Office statement.

"His Majesty's Government are well aware of the part which humanitarian considerations have played in the decision of the French Government not to cooperate in obliging the illegal immigrants to disembark at Port de Boue.

"They feel confident that banking themselves on the same considerations the French Government will be glad to accept this suggestion with the object of alleviating further suffering.

"These Jews have for three weeks refused to disembark at Port de Boue largely as a result of the pressure put on them by the Zionist propaganda machine. His Majesty's Government trust that the Jewish leaders will now seriously consider whether they are justified in continuing to obstruct the return of these illegal immigrants to France, the country from which they sailed illicitly

for Palestine, and which has offered to receive them back."

The Foreign Office spokesman in London today made it clear that the difference between the alternatives facing the Jews when they reach Hamburg and those which they faced at Port de Boue will be that, at Hamburg, there will be no prospect of their remaining on board.

The choice will be one of remaining in the British Zone of Germany and one of proceeding to France if the French Government agrees to the fresh British request.

**To Use Force**  
The decision that the illegal immigrants may not this time refuse to disembark clearly implies that the British authorities intend to use force at Hamburg if necessary.

But the request to the French Government has no connection with the question of disembarkation, which will be handled by the British authorities alone.

The British Government is now only asking France to take a not less favourable attitude towards the reception of the illegal immigrants than it took when they were in French territorial waters during the past three weeks.

The three British transports, with the Jews on board, are expected to reach Hamburg in about 10 days.

It is reported from Paris that the official French reaction to the British request will not be made known until after the next French Cabinet meeting on Wednesday.

Foreign Office sources in Paris stated that the French Cabinet will study the request, which was delivered to the French Foreign Minister, M. Bidault, but gave no indication of possible French action.

**Jewish Statement**  
The Executive of the Jewish Agency has issued a nine-point statement in Jerusalem tonight describing the "expulsion" of the Jewish immigrants and their "forcible deportation" to Germany as the "latest action in a squalid war against Jews waged for the last two years by the present British Government in order to hide the ugliness, cruelty and the lawlessness of this act."

The Jewish Agency's statement was issued in refutation to statements that the refugees refused to land in France because of "Zionist threats and propaganda" and charged the British Government with "deliberately inflicting on the immigrants mental and physical torments in the prison ships in order to break spirit."

In an effort to prevent the British Government from landing the immigrants in Germany after turning them back from Palestine, the Jewish Agency today applied for a writ of habeas corpus. Such a writ calls on a person to whom it is directed to produce the person named in it, and is an important part of the English law as a safeguard against imprisonment without trial.

**Habeas Corpus**  
The Jewish Agency stated that leave was granted to serve a short notice of motion for writ of habeas corpus for six named persons on board the ships "Empire Rival," "Ocean

Vigour" and "Runnymede Park," to which the would-be immigrants were transferred when their ship, the President Warfield, was intercepted off Palestine by British naval vessels.

The writ is directed at the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, and the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Creech-Jones, and hearing will take place next Wednesday.

The latest report from Palestine said that, according to a Jewish source in Tel Aviv, tonight, another Jewish illegal immigrant ship is nearing the Palestine coast.

**AT SEA**  
(By Boyd France)

On board the "Runnymede Park" Aug. 23.

A spokesman of the 1,600 Exodus Jewish would-be immigrants on board this ship, now on the high seas on their way to Hamburg, reaffirmed to me, with a grim voice and manner tonight:

"We are going to Palestine. We won't land anywhere else. We are not going to France, either by boat or train unless we go there dead."

"From France it is impossible to emigrate legally to Palestine."

The Jews' determination not to land at Hamburg appeared to have been strengthened by a radio report of the British Government's request to France.

The report was heard calmly. The Jewish spokesman flatly rejected the British offer to admit the refugees to England.

He said: "What for—to work in the mines?"

"We want to work for our own country."

Despite their repeated assertions that they would not disembark voluntarily in Hamburg, the morale of the re-

**Three Mothers, 74 Kids**

Paris, Aug. 23. Three Frenchwomen, all members of one family in Bethune, Pas de Calais, Northern France, have borne 74 children.

Madame Cousin Sinagogue, aged 75, has been married four times and boasts of 69 descendants—27 children, 20 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

The old lady's mother had 24 children and one of her aunts had 23.—Reuter.

fugees appeared to be still high.

**Can't Scare Us**  
Asked whether she was afraid of possible forcible disembarkation at Hamburg, 17-year-old Rachel Engelberg, of Warsaw, replied: "We don't think about it. The young men think about it because they have to plan resistance. We women will fight too, when the time comes, but we would rather not think about it now."

"They can't scare us, though. Hitler taught us to be tough." Commenting on their treatment by British troops on board the ship, Rachel said: "The soldiers have done their best for us. We don't hate the soldiers. As soldiers they have orders. But we are soldiers too. We are fighting for our lives. They are fighting for politics. We will win."—Reuter.

Calcutta, Aug. 23. Seventy-five Indian doctors and 200 non-medical personnel have volunteered for service with the Indian Medical Association. This followed an Indian Red Cross announcement earlier today that 7,000 lb. of medical supplies were being flown to Indonesia in answer to an appeal from the Indonesian Red Cross.—Reuter.

**Widespread Arrests In Palestine**

Jerusalem, Aug. 23. Jews suspected of being implicated in the kidnapping and hanging of the two British sergeants, Clifford Martin, of Coventry, and Mervyn Palce, of Bristol, have been arrested by the Palestine police.

Colonel W. N. Gray, Inspector General of the Police, said that the investigations had been greatly hampered by the "lack of public cooperation." He did not disclose the number of Jews held.

The two sergeants were kidnapped as they walked through the streets of Nathanya, the Palestine diamond town, wearing civilian clothes, on July 12.

Nineteen days later, after an intensive search by thousands of British troops, their bodies, trapped bodies were found hanging from a eucalyptus tree in a grove on the outskirts of the town.

Notices were found pinned to the bodies, saying that the men had been hanged by the "National Military Organisation" after being "tried as British spies."

**20 To Be Tried**  
Colonel Gray said that the Palestine police had arrested 223 Jews as suspected terrorists between July 1 and August 21. Of these, 11 were released unconditionally. He added that 20 were to be tried on charges arising out of terrorist acts.

The total number of crimes listed in the police records, between January 1 and July 1, totalled more than 21,000.—Reuter.

**Royal Romancers To Tour Australia?**

Brisbane, Aug. 23. Princess Elizabeth and Lieut. Philip Mountbatten are likely to accompany the King and Queen on their Australian tour early in 1949.

Present discussions cover the arrival of the Royal Party in Australia during May, with visits to each State during the tour lasting "some weeks."

In view of the distances involved it is expected that air transport will be used extensively. It was earlier hoped that their Majesties would visit Australia next year, but it has been intimated from London that this would not be desirable in view of the situation at home.—Our Own Correspondent.

## TIME RUNNING SHORT AGAINST US

London, Aug. 23. A vigorous rejection of Mr. Winston Churchill's radio warning last week that the nation faced the ultimate prospect of hunger, dispersal and death under the "totalitarian" Socialist regime was made by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Deputy Prime Minister, tonight.

Mr. Churchill, a great leader when he was the wartime Prime Minister, "choose to make a Party political speech calculated to weaken our solidarity and will to win through, and to damage us abroad at a moment when so much depends upon the willingness of others to supply us with food and raw materials," Mr. Morrison declared.

"He seeks to suggest that Britain is becoming totalitarian and his strange way of proving it is to deliver an attack which only the most resolutely democratic of Governments would permit in such times of national emergency."

"We are going forward to a transformed and strengthened Britain in which everyone can work to a purpose."

Mr. Morrison, who was giving one of the "quota broadcasts" allotted to Britain's main Parliamentary parties each year, devoted most of his time to discussing the immediate effect of the country's crisis on the lives of her people.

While in Paris and Washington, Britain was struggling for the organisation of a "same, expanding world economy", she was faced with a shortage more acute than that of dollars, coal, manpower on food—a shortage of time.

"Time is running short against us faster even than the drain of dollars", he said.

"We have done it too slowly."

Referring to the great new plan for agriculture announced during the week by which the output is designed to be stepped up by £100,000,000 within four years, Mr. Morrison said:

"This means that food growing is top priority. That means that other things have to take lower place."

"For instance, there must be less private motoring in order that farmers may have more tractors, more grass drivers, more spare parts and more petrol."

If miners produce the extra coal required of them, "they will have saved Britain and will have done much to save Europe from hunger and misery", he said.

**On The Land**  
More houses must be put up for farm workers, and that means fewer houses for other people, Mr. Morrison continued.

"It means that more people are wanted on the land, and that the people who go on the land must be given the things they need to keep them at full efficiency just as aircrews and commandos were given special treatment in the war."

Life would be depressing, Mr. Morrison added, but it would still go on without films and betting and even if there were less "junk" in shops.

He appealed to those making or selling things which could be done without to volunteer to change their jobs for more vital ones in the nation's crisis.—Reuter.

**Palestine Partition Plan "Out"**

Geneva, Aug. 23. For economic reasons, the United Nations special committee on Palestine have now dropped their clear-cut plans for Palestine partition, it is believed here tonight.

The delegates, still considering the findings of the committee's working parties, were believed to be now divided between federation and confederation with a certain degree of "forced" economic cooperation.

Mr. J. L. Hood, the Australian delegate, said that in view of the fluid situation, it was impossible to foretell the Committee's final decision.

The distinction between federation and confederation is between: 1—a federal Jewish-Arab state and 2—Independent but not entirely separate States, with possibly some "over-riding" economic authority.—Reuter.

**PAKISTAN PROSPECTS**

Karachi, Aug. 23. An extensive programme of prospecting for oil, coal and iron in the Dominion of Pakistan is soon to be carried out by expert geologists, a Pakistan Government spokesman said here today.

This will be part of the Government's plan to start up all essential industries at present non-existent in Pakistan.

Food, iron, and industries—to be nationalised—will come from the sale of national savings certificates.—Reuter.

## Miners To Work A Six Day Week

London, Aug. 23.

One of the biggest steps to deal with Britain's economic crisis was taken tonight when it was announced that miners would return to the six-day week.

Mr. Arthur Horner, General Secretary of the National Union of Mineworkers, said at Porthcawl, South Wales, that this offer was a "loan" to the Government until May next year to help them in the crisis.

The miners, he said, in giving up the five-day week, were giving up a reform for which they had fought for 40 years.

"We have offered to work six-and-a-half hours every Saturday from September until May next year," Mr. Horner said.—Reuter.

**"Down With America!"**

Cairo, Aug. 24.

An Egyptian mob—protesting because the United Nations Security Council has not ordered British troops out of the Nile Valley—surged through the streets of Cairo on Saturday night shouting "Long live Russia and Poland!"

It was the second demonstration of this sort in as many days. As was the case on Friday, the Egyptians shouted "Down with Imperialism! Down with England! Down with America, the traitor!"

A policeman was injured when the crowd stoned a truckload of police who tried to disperse them.

Two persons, injured in Friday's demonstration, died later in Cairo, bringing the death toll to three.—Associated Press.

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# JAPAN WAS VICTIM OF A SUPER DOUBLE-CROSS

## American Policy Attacked

Washington, Aug. 23.  
Yugoslav Ambassador  
Sava Kossanovic, con-  
tinuing to attack United  
States policy toward his  
country, today took ex-  
ception to the State  
Dept.'s denial that the  
United States is attempt-  
ing an economic block-  
ade of Yugoslavia.

"It would be difficult," he said,  
"for Yugoslavia to understand why,  
in spite of all their requests, the  
gold saved from Mussolini and  
Hitler is still frozen—serving no  
one in a time of greatest need  
for reconstruction."  
The gold, valued at US\$50,000-  
000, was transferred to the Unit-  
ed States just prior to Hitler's  
invasion of Yugoslavia.  
Kossanovic acknowledged that  
UNRRA and the United States  
had afforded great help to Yugo-  
slavia, but "it is impossible to  
continuously mention UNRRA's  
help as compensation, for those  
Yugoslavs who lost their lives  
fighting Germany and Italy."  
United Press.

Washington, Aug. 23.  
Japan was the victim of a "super doublecross" at  
the hands of Nazi Germany at a time when  
she was neutral but was being pressed by Hit-  
ler to grant bases to Germany. Details of the  
sensational duplicity were revealed in cap-  
tured German documents—the writings of Grand  
Admiral Erich Raeder, German Navy Com-  
mander-in-Chief—which were published to-  
day.

The document described the  
German Navy's unpreparedness  
when the war broke out in 1939.  
While on the one hand the Ger-  
mans were urging their then  
friendly, neutral Japan to permit  
Nazi seacraft to use Nip-  
ponese bases, the Nazis were  
also giving U-boat commanders  
orders to sink Japanese mer-  
chantships.

Raeder's writings did not re-  
veal whether any Japanese  
ships actually fell prey to Ger-  
man's undersea raiders. Ja-  
panese ships were figured in  
Germany's programme for de-  
stroying shipping when Nazi  
leaders were fretting about the  
limited destructiveness of their  
submarine fleet.

They devised an ingenious  
plan by which they would de-  
clare a certain area mined.  
Then, instead of mining it, they  
planned to send U-boats under  
cover to attack all shipping  
"whenever it could be made to  
appear that the ships had struck  
mines." By this ruse, Raeder  
wrote, Japanese shipping could  
be attacked with immunity  
while at the same time diplo-  
mats were pressuring Japanese  
for aid.

Raeder wrote that the Japan-  
ese "traffic with enemy powers  
is slight. Nevertheless, un-  
favourable political repercus-  
sions must be avoided by hand-  
ling the Japanese carefully. So  
long as I can make it appear  
that ships are striking mines,  
it appears feasible to apply  
intensified measures of sub-  
marine warfare also against Ja-  
panese merchant ships."

## Caught Out

The captured documents also  
revealed that the German Navy  
was caught flat-footed by Bri-

tain's war declaration on Sep-  
tember 3, 1939, because Hitler  
did not expect action until five  
days later. Even so, 21 U-  
boats moved out into the North  
Atlantic two weeks before the  
outbreak of the war but most  
of them were pulled in shortly  
thereafter because the Nazis  
feared—undersea strength  
totalled only 26 craft.

The documents also revealed  
that Hitler believed that Ger-  
many need not fear Russia so  
long as Stalin was in power;  
Hitler rejected a High Com-  
mand suggestion that he appeal  
to Russians for undersea craft  
lest he betrayed Germany's  
weakness. Most of the High  
Command did not know until  
several months afterwards that  
it was a U-boat which sank the  
British passenger liner "Athena"  
on the first day of the war.

## Battle Avoided

Realizing limitations of Ger-  
many's Navy in a battle with  
the Royal Navy, Raeder was  
disposed to trying to avoid a  
real battle in order to low the  
campaign in Poland to finish  
quickly, pinning hopes on the  
Allied unwillingness to go to  
war at that point.

Raeder wrote that "the lack  
of hostile acts by France and  
the hesitant military attitude  
on the part of Great Britain"  
was the basis for believing that  
there was a "possibility of in-  
ducing Great Britain and  
France to avoid fighting as  
soon as Poland had been defeat-  
ed."

With this in mind, Raeder  
prohibited effective action  
against the French, ordering  
passenger ships to be spared.  
He continued these orders  
through September and early  
October until the restless light  
Command demanded that U-

## "Class Egoism" In Italy

Rome, Aug. 23.

Premier Alcide de  
Gasperi said in a radio  
address today that Italy's  
economy is engulfed in  
international crisis. He  
urged an end to "class  
egoism" as an answer to  
new labour threats of  
nationwide agitation.

He spoke of a new programme,  
designed to bolster Italy's totter-  
ing economy and warned that it  
was not a complete answer.  
"But there is a formula com-  
plex enough—that is solidarity,  
moral sense and common con-  
science above factional hatreds,  
harmful things in face of the  
above class egoism and above  
political manoeuvres—little but  
salvation of the Italian people."

The speech followed a com-  
munique from the Communist  
Labour Confederation which  
labelled the government pro-  
gramme as unsatisfactory for fail-  
ing to meet labour's demands for  
more workers control over indus-  
try.

The CGIL ordered its unions  
to hold public rallies "in case it  
is necessary" to protest against  
the programme.

De Gasperi said the fight  
against inflation and instability  
must be carried on by unions and  
consumers.

"The crisis is an international  
crisis. The British decision not  
to maintain convertibility into  
dollars of our sterling credits in  
London constitutes a grave threat  
which we hope to overcome,"—  
United Press.

boats be put to use. From this  
evolved the plan of phoney  
minefields layings. — United  
Press.

## The Polish Will To Re-Build

Warsaw, Aug. 24.

The Poles are digging into their war heritage of  
grim stark ruins with an obvious will to re-  
build and struggle for a future. On the surface  
at least, Warsaw bustles with life.

Dents are being driven into  
the appalling mass of wreckage.  
The restaurants supply abun-  
dant and excellent food. There  
are many small private shops  
selling on a free market. Peo-

ple make merry in spite of the  
awful surroundings. The ruins  
look grotesque, as far as the  
eye can see. They are awe-in-  
spiring testimonials of human  
brutality.

One-storey buildings fringe  
many of the areas of desola-  
tion.  
Housing shops that display  
everything from furs to elec-  
trical gadgets and from art  
work to hams, roast bucks and  
alcohol, are cropping out in  
the residential sections.

Trams and buses have glass  
windows again, traffic cops  
wear neat white coats and a  
good proportion of the pedes-  
trians is well dressed.

Rebuilding is going much  
more noticeably than in Berlin,  
where destruction was worse.

## Housing Problem

Like everywhere in European  
ruined cities, the housing prob-  
lem here is acute. Not just  
the business district, but large  
sections of dwelling zones were  
wiped out.

In Britain and Germany,  
there is little or no glass for  
replacing destroyed window-  
panes.

Poland has revived its glass  
industry, so where people find  
liveable quarters there are good  
possibilities of patching up the  
windows.

The Poles have also returned  
to the manufacture of furni-  
ture and attractive tables,  
chairs, dressers and beds are  
on display in the shops.

The heating problem is acute  
in most other countries, but Po-  
land is mining coal on a large  
scale again and has surpluses  
for export.—Associated Press.

## VATICAN ENVOY TO EGYPT

Vatican City, Aug. 23.

His Holiness the Pope has  
nominated Mons. Arthur Hughes,  
of Canada, as first Vatican envoy  
to Egypt. It was announced today.

Mons. Hughes, former head of  
the Apostolic Delegation to Egypt,  
was responsible for the recent es-  
tablishment of diplomatic rela-  
tions between the Holy See and  
Egypt.

The first Egyptian Minister to  
the Vatican arrived a few weeks  
ago.—Sabbat.

## Gloomy Reunions

Paris, Aug. 23.  
Applications for divorce in  
Paris always increase imme-  
diately after the three main  
public holidays, Christmas,  
Easter and Ascension Day,  
according to a survey pub-  
lished by the Seine Adminis-  
trative Department today.  
The French Resistance  
paper, Combat, commented  
that the increase might be due  
to "gloomy family reunions"  
or "least days spent in soli-  
tude."  
It attributed the majority of  
the broken marriages in Paris  
to drunkenness, wife-beating  
and infidelity, in that order.  
Financial quarrels were given  
fourth place.—Reuter.

## MADRID TRIALS ANOMALY

Madrid, Aug. 23.

Sentences ranging  
from two to four years  
were passed by a Madrid  
court today on four  
members of the Commit-  
tee of "National Alliance  
of Democratic Forces,"  
who were arrested in  
1945.

The four men sentenced, all  
Socialists or Republicans, were  
Antonio Martinez Carmona, Jose  
Castro, Jose Cernadas and  
Emilio Clase. Two others were  
acquitted.

At the trial was Mr. William  
Dudley Collard, London Bar-  
rister, representing the Haldane  
Society (an organisation of  
Socialist lawyers).

After the trial, Mr. Collard  
said:

"The prisoners showed no  
visible signs of ill-treatment.  
But it seems to me shocking  
that the four of them were kept  
in goal without trial for two  
years while the two others who  
were acquitted have been in goal  
for seven and nine months re-  
spectively."

"I was even more surprised  
by the trial held before that of  
the Committee of Democratic  
Alliance, in which Manuel  
Hurtado Franco—in a trial  
lasting only 30 minutes—was  
sentenced to 20 years goal on a  
charge of having taken part in  
murders committed 11 years ago  
and to which he pleaded not  
guilty." Mr. Collard said.—  
Reuter.

## SOVIET ATTACKS U.K. LABOUR

Moscow, Aug. 23.

Izvestia's commentator "Obser-  
ver" argued in Friday's issue that  
Socialism does not exist in Bri-  
tain.

He declared that the daily  
activity of the Labour Government  
shows any pretence to Socialism  
as "demagoguery."

Economic hardships are shak-  
ing the ancient structure of Bri-  
tish capitalism. "They graphically  
convince the European people of  
the insolvency of England's claims  
to leadership in the economic  
restoration of Europe," the com-  
mentator added.—Associated  
Press.

## RAEDER WASHED HIS HANDS OF "GRAF SPEE"

London, Aug. 24.

The "Graf Spee" was not scuttled on orders from  
Berlin. The problem of whether or not she  
should fight her way out of the La Plata  
Estuary was left to her commander, Captain  
Langsdorff, an Admiralty Publication,  
"Fuehrer Conferences 1939" showed today.  
While skilful British propaganda created a ghost  
fleet lying in ambush off the mouth of the  
River Plata, Langsdorff, from Montevideo,  
asked instructions of Berlin.

He said a fortnight was neces-  
sary to make the pocket battle-  
ship seaworthy.  
"Escape into the open sea and  
a break through to home waters  
is hopeless."

"I propose putting out as far  
as the neutral boundary. If it  
is possible to fight our way  
through to Buenos Aires using  
the remaining ammunition this  
will be attempted."

"If a break-through would re-  
sult in certain destruction of the  
'Graf Spee' without damage to  
the enemy I request a decision  
whether to scuttle or intern."

Admiral Raeder tossed the  
problem back to Langsdorff.  
**His Letter**  
The contents of Langsdorff's  
letter to the Ambassador was  
printed by the Admiralty today:  
"To Ambassador, Buenos  
Aires: Your Excellency, after  
a long struggle I reached the  
grave decision to scuttle the  
pocket battleship 'Admiral Graf  
Spee' in order to prevent her  
falling into enemy hands."

"I am still convinced that  
under the circumstances this  
decision was the only one left  
once I had taken by ship into  
the trap of Montevideo."

"For, with the ammunition re-  
maining any attempt to fight my  
way back to open and home  
waters was bound to fail. And  
yet only in deep water could I  
have scuttled the ship after  
having the remaining ammuni-  
tion."—United Press.

London, Aug. 23.

Only 546 unemployed were  
registered in all Swiss labour  
exchanges early this month,  
Swiss Radio said today,  
emphasising the country's de-  
mand for manpower.—Reuter.

## Today's Major Problem

Geneva, Aug. 23.

Mr. Harold Wilson,  
Secretary for Overseas  
Trade, speaking here to-  
day at the final plenary  
meeting of the Interna-  
tional Trade Conference  
Preparatory Committee,  
emphasised that the  
overriding problem to-  
day was one of restoring  
the balance of payments.

The solution of this problem,  
he added, necessitated tem-  
porary measures which might  
"appear to be opposed to the  
principles and methods of the  
draft charter."

Britain, for instance, would  
find it necessary to have even  
closer economic cooperation with  
the other countries of the Com-  
monwealth.

The important point was not  
to establish permanently arti-  
ficial channels of trade which  
would, in the long run, defeat  
the principles and measures dis-  
cussed at Geneva and lower the  
standard of living of the world.  
—Reuter.



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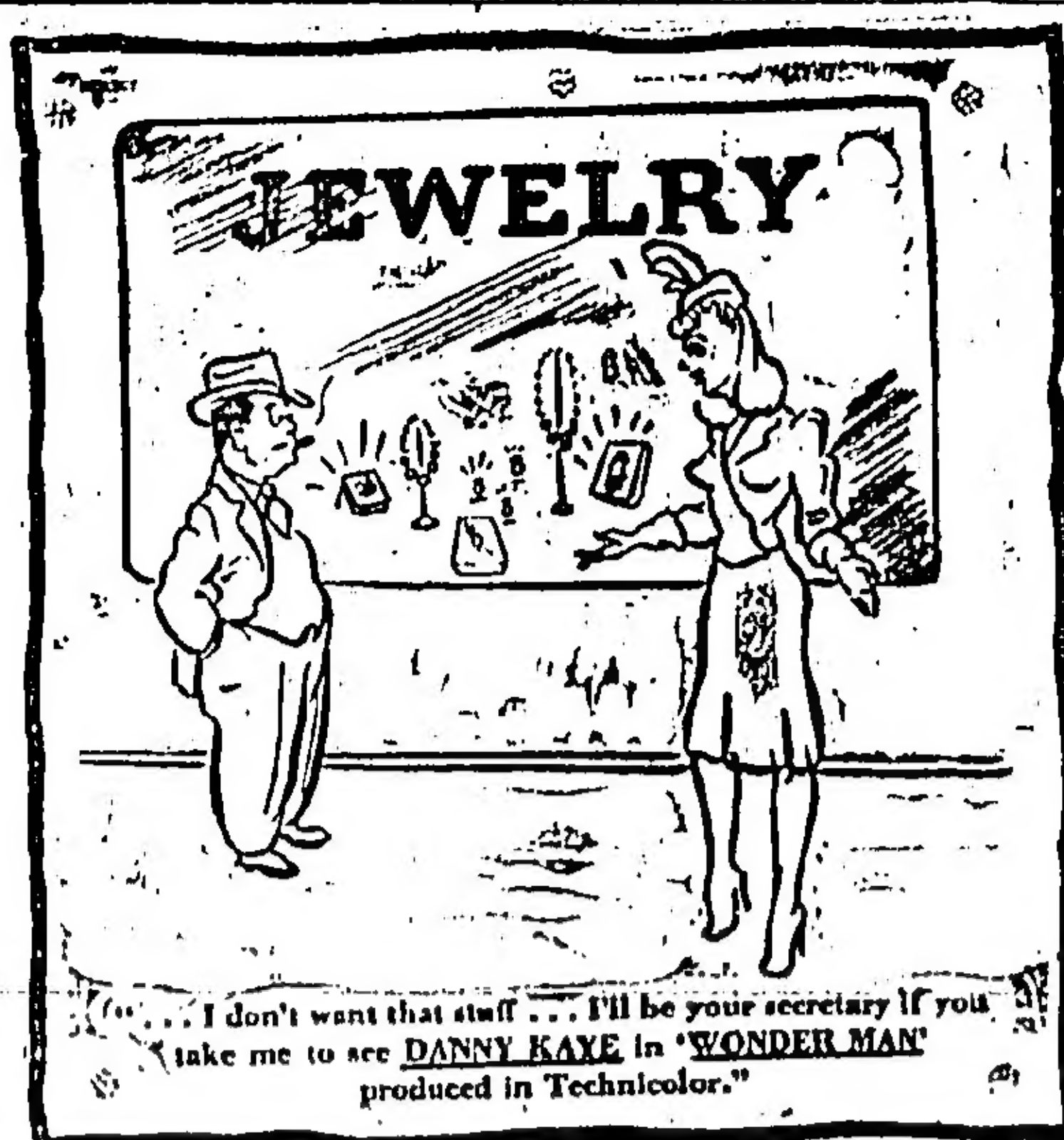
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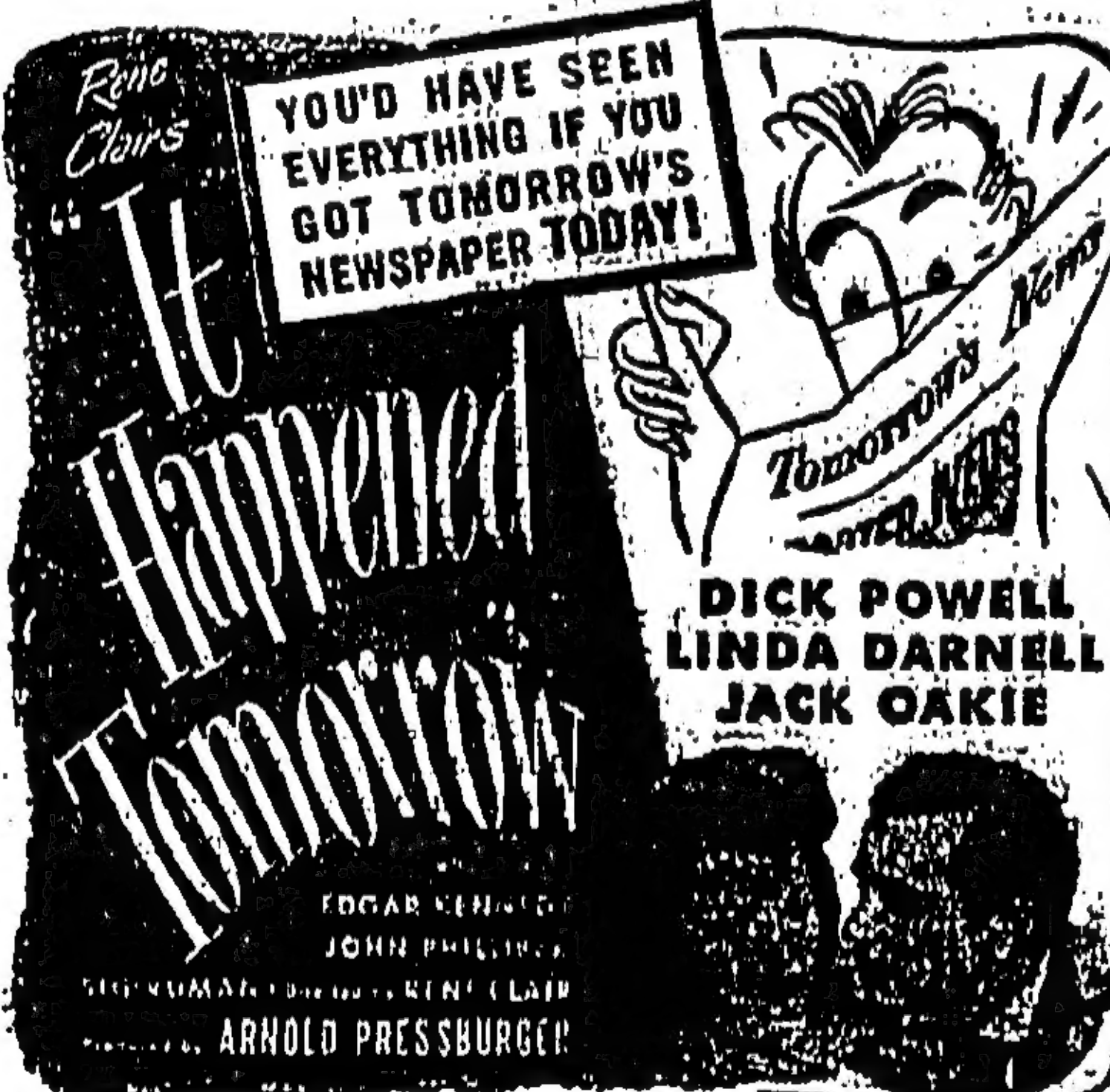
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## Sterling Slumps In Shanghai

Shanghai, Aug. 24.  
In what is believed to be the first reaction to Britain's dollar crisis, the pound sterling rate declined, both in the open and black markets today. The Central Bank of China, while maintaining the United States dollar open market rate unchanged at \$39,000, buying and \$39,000 selling, reduced the sterling quotation to \$118,000 buying and \$122,000 selling from \$123,200 and \$126,000 respectively. The sterling-dollar cross-rate fell from \$3.30 to \$3.11, while in the blackmarket the quotation dropped to a new low of \$2.80.—Reuter.

## New Body To Replace CNRRA

Nanking, Aug. 23.  
The Government is planning to establish a new relief and rehabilitation committee to take over the work of CNRRA when the latter folds up at the end of the year.

The committee will carry on such projects as the rehabilitation of flooded areas in Honan and Kiangsu, fishery, industry, manufacture of farm tools and the introduction of model farming. The establishment of the committee was recommended by UNRRA and will be formed as soon as necessary laws are adopted by the government.—United Press.

### Protest

Shanghai, Aug. 24.  
An angry denunciation of UNRRA for its "total submission" to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was made by Ling Chung, Communist Relief Representative in Shanghai, in a written statement today. Ling Chung demanded that if UNRRA does not distribute relief supplies equitably to both the Nationalist and Communist areas, "all UNRRA personnel and supplies should immediately be withdrawn from China." Ling Chung reiterated an oft-repeated Communist charge that the Communists hitherto had received just about two per cent of all UNRRA supplies brought into China.—Associated Press.

### EXPULSION

Paris, Aug. 23.  
The Government of France has issued an expulsion order against three members of the French Indian Communist Party, all British subjects, the Agence France Press said today. The Government order charged the Communists with "violent anti-French agitation," the Agence message said.—Reuter.

# U.S. ATTACK ON SOVIET SATELLITES

Washington, Aug. 23.  
The United States today charged Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia with aggression against Greece and accused Russia of blocking efforts of the Security Council to check that aggression. It renewed its demand for "international action to maintain peace in the Balkans." The United States Government specifically charged Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia with actively supporting guerilla warfare in Greece.

The United States said that they "openly and defiantly rejected" any cooperation in United Nations investigations. To back up its charges, the State Department released two reports summarizing the work of the United Nations subsidiary team which has been conducting on the spot investigations in Greece since May 20. It said the team's work was impeded by "obstructionist tactics."

Regarding Russia, the State Department said: "The Security Council has been prevented from taking any effective action to check aggression of Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia against Greece by vetoes exercised by the USSR on July 29 and August 19."

The government has not spelled out the nature of the international action demanded to "maintain peace in the Balkans." But on the heels of August 19 the Russian veto of the United States delegation in the Security Council placed the Greek issue on the General Assembly docket, where the two-thirds majority holds.

The Acting Secretary of State, Robert Lovett, made it clear that the American action was a direct manoeuvre to circumvent Russia's veto in the Security Council.

Meanwhile, the State Department promised to issue soon a "comprehensive White Paper" on the facts relating to north Greek frontier incidents.

### U.S. Aid

Tonight's double-barrelled blast against Russia and its satellites came as the first tangible aid under President Truman's Greek-Turkish programme to counter communism—over 50,000 tons of military supplies—was on route to Greece.

The supplies included 1,000 trucks, ambulances, wreckers, ammunition and weapons carriers, 120 tons of spare parts and 19,000 tons of food. Six Navy patrol vessels are also labelled for delivery to Greece.

## The Mystery Of The Missing Judge

New York, Aug. 23.  
Seventeen years ago Justice Joseph Force Crater of the New York State Supreme Court sent a messenger to his bank to cash a five figure cheque, received the money—then disappeared.

Police all over the United States are still looking for the vanished judge, spurred on by the belief of Manhattan detectives who know him that he is still alive. If living he would be 68 years old.

His wife remarried after he was declared officially dead some years ago and received \$5,000 on his life insurance policy. Yet New York police believe that the man who had everything to live for—he had just reached his professional goal, the Supreme Court bench—"took a run-out powder on life."

Through the years hundreds of persons have reported seeing the missing judge. One claimed he saw him posing as a sheep herder in the northwest Pacific area. Another recognised him hiding out as a hermit in New Brunswick, Canada. Then the police were told he was acting as a gambling exculper on the North African coast during the final months of the war.

But the dossier of his case at New York police headquarters has yet to be stamped "Closed."—Our Own Correspondent.

## Wot, Weren't There Some Cups Too?

Vienna, Aug. 24.  
Heinrich Mayer, an Austrian writer, today claimed that he had seen two "flying saucers" over Mount Semmering about 50 miles south-west of Vienna, according to the British-controlled Austrian newspaper, "Welt-press."

Mayer said that he was watching the skies from the Semmering meteorological station when a large luminous flat plate passed before the lens of his telescope. Four similar objects then passed in quick succession. The "Welt-press" said that a scientific enquiry was being made to secure further evidence.—Reuter.

## French Moslem Protest

Paris, Aug. 23.  
After presenting a written protest to the National Assembly, eight Moslem deputies today decided not to participate in the debate on the Government's proposed new statute for Algeria.

The protest states: "We have tried by all possible means to enlighten the National Assembly on the form of democratic statute desired by the Moslem Algerian population. For 100 years, we have wanted to live in the French family. You have not permitted it."

"You have never kept your promises. You have not taken our sacrifices into consideration, sacrifices on the field of battle, for the defence of France and for her conquests. Although we are in the majority in our country, we have one united aim. That is to accept equal representation with the European minority. That is the best example of fraternity which one people can give to another."—Reuter.

Prague, Aug. 23.  
An agreement has been reached between the Czechoslovak and Indian Governments and diplomatic relations will be established shortly, Premier Klement Gottwald told a representative of the "Indo-Soviet Journal" in an interview here.—Reuter.

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8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News.  
8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.  
8.15 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "The Man of Destiny", World Theatre Series No. 5.—Play by Bernard Shaw, featuring Eric Fortman and Jeanne de Casalis. Produced by E. King Bull.  
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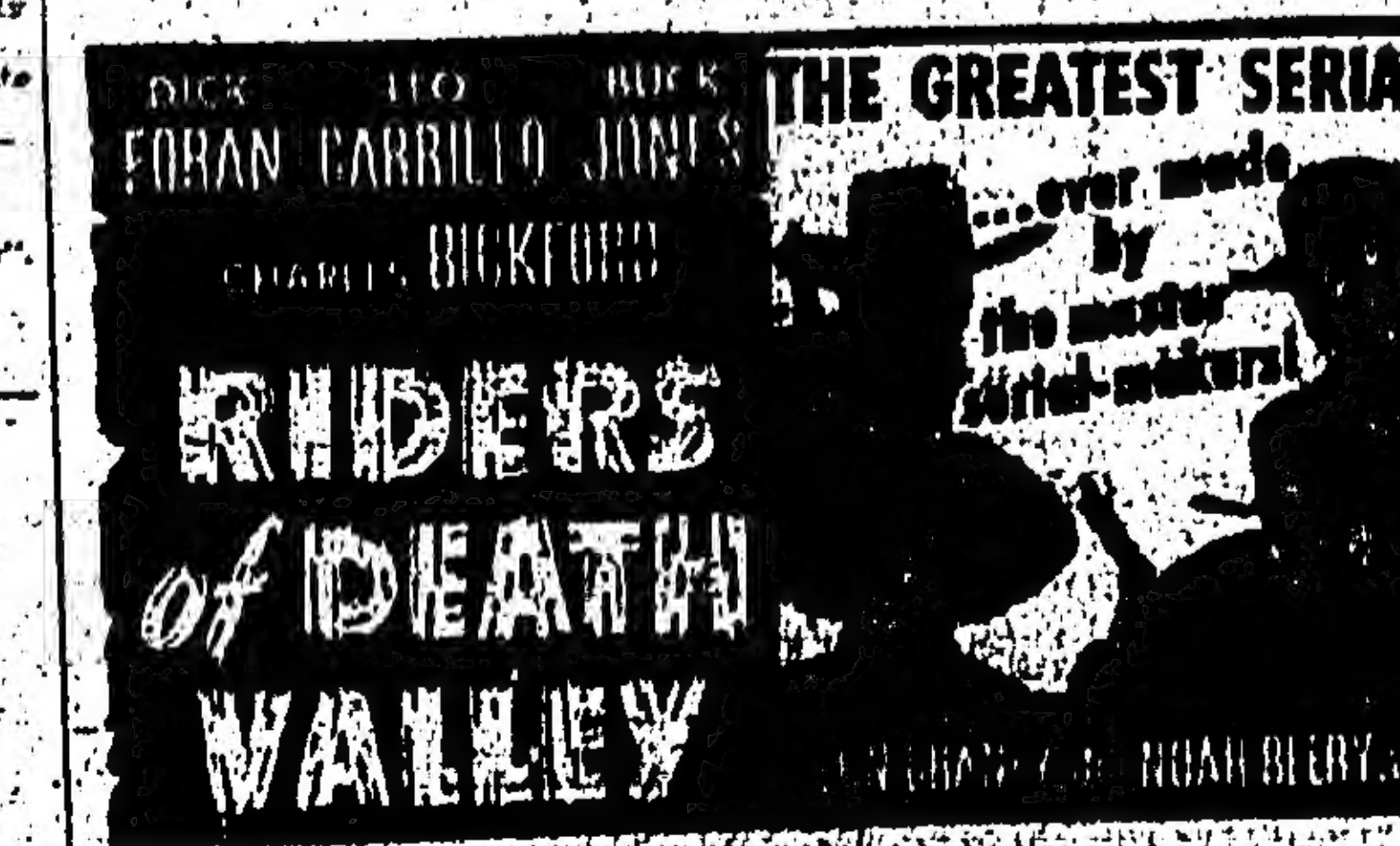
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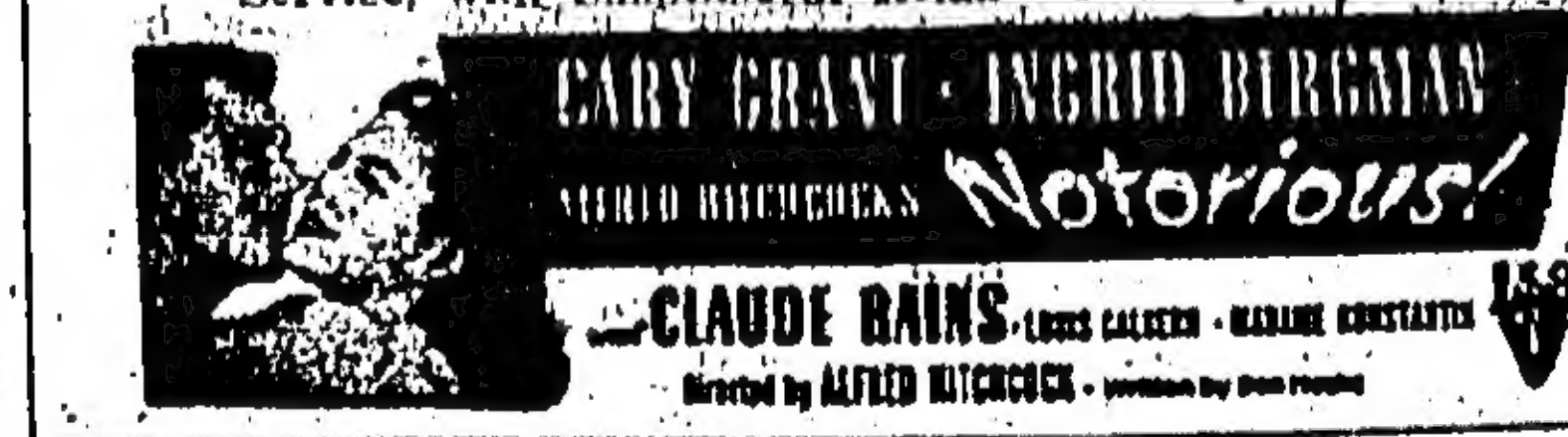
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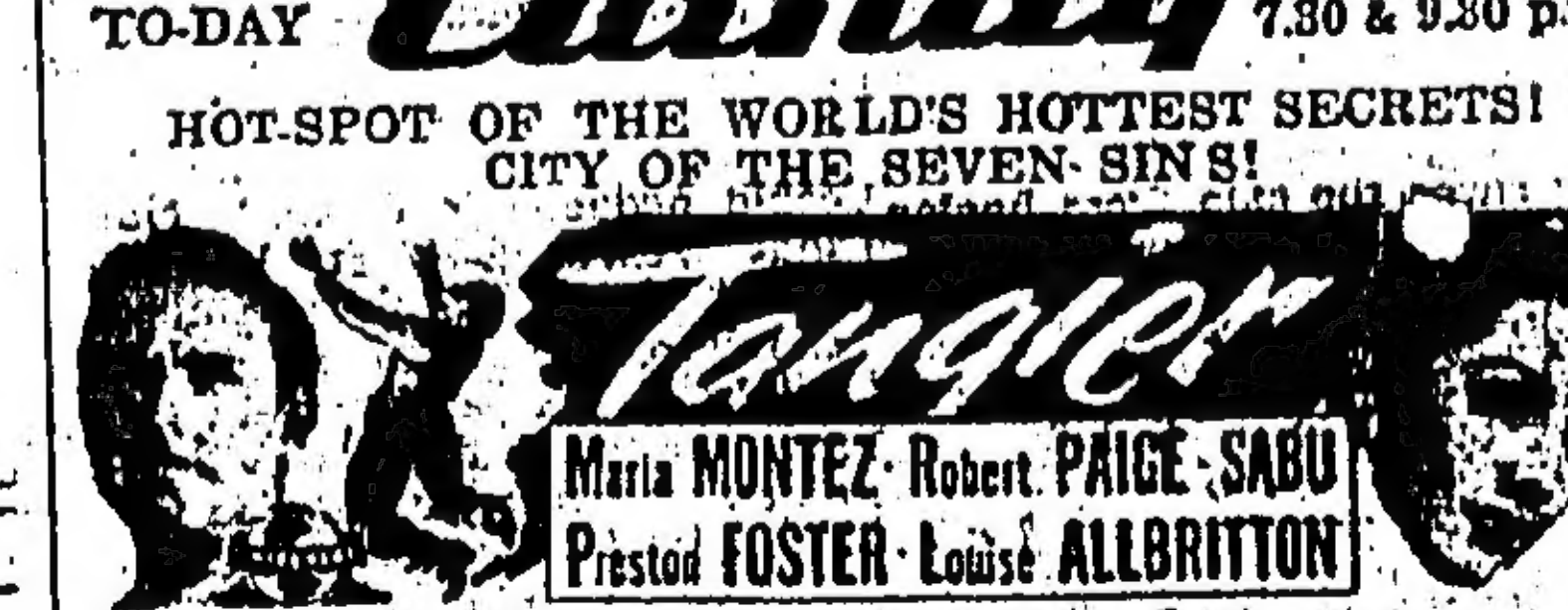
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## STRIKE OFFER

The far from ungenerous offer of the principal dockyards to those of their workmen who are involved in the strike called by the Chinese Engineers' Institute puts the issue plainly to the test. Either it will be accepted as a basis for discussion in negotiations for a strike settlement, or the suspicion will re-emerge that other than purely economic and industrial factors lie at the back of the walk-out. Increases in basic pay are contemplated on a graduated scale, with a minimum lift of twenty per cent. and operating so as to ensure that highly skilled workmen with a long record of service may expect to receive \$4 daily in basic pay. The usual H.C.L. and rehabilitation allowances have to be added to permit accurate assessment of the monthly income. Admittedly, a top level of \$4 differs considerably from the Institute demand of a blanket increase for all skilled workmen raising them to a minimum of \$5 daily, but not only was this outside the remotest possibility of entertainment by employers, but, there is good reason to believe, was never seriously supported by the working members of the unions. One of their grievances, in fact, has been that classification of skilled hands has not been sufficiently discriminating, so that the margin of pay between the semi-skilled employee and the highly-skilled technician with many years of loyal service behind him has been so small as to cause discontent. The employers have given the assurance that, among other things, they will seek a remedy for this disparity in reward for productive labour, and that re-grading of employees according to agreed scales will be undertaken. It is perhaps too much to hope that the strikers will agree to these terms immediately, as a final settlement, but what might be recommended is a return to duty on the basis set out, with the understanding that special conciliation boards will be set up, in accordance with the Labour Officer's formula, and that what points of difference still remain will be left to these Boards to iron out. Persistence in the demand for a blanket increase, can only stifle hope of successful negotiations.

## CHINA'S CASE

General Wedemeyer has done some blunt talking in Nanking as a result of his survey, without saying anything very new beyond making it clear that the United States does not intend to fill the role of an uncritical Santa Claus. Extension of aid to European countries which can use it to build sound economies is one thing. Extension of aid to a government unable to free itself from the debilitating hold of corrupt reactionaries is another. However sincere the intentions of President Chiang and some of the moderates in his government, the present prospects for effective governmental reform in China are not encouraging. There are new promises of immediate reform in return for popular support of total mobilization, but such promises are yearning a little thin by now. There are predictions of total victory over the Communists within a year, but they will convince no one who knows the situation. The most powerful argument Chinese Nationalists have been able to use is that the Russian threat demands American support of the Nanking Government, no matter how great the defects of the latter. Certainly the Russian threat is there, though in not so immediate a form as Nanking would have the United States believe. Up to the present Russia has shown little disposition to give the Chinese Communists active or direct aid, and recent charges to the contrary have not been substantiated by neutral observers. If Nationalist China faces collapse, it is as much from disintegration within as from Communist pressure from without. All this was

## WHAT OF JAPAN TODAY?

By Denis Warner

Tokyo. — Across the shivering surface of the Allied Council's conference table, the Big Four of the Far East — the United States, Russia, China and the British Commonwealth — have heatedly debated an issue that all powers at the peace conference will soon have to consider: Has the occupation, as General MacArthur claims, been unprecedently successful? Or has it been a dismal failure?

The answer is probably neither yes nor no. More has been accomplished in the military occupation than anyone ever believed possible. As a basis for democracy, it has achieved about as much as could be expected from a military occupation — military men are rarely democrats.

The key to what many observers in Tokyo believe the occupation has done and not done was contained in a sentence spoken by the British Commonwealth's representative on the Allied Council in July: "If I seem to criticize SCAP," he said, "it is not that he has done so little, but that he claims to have done so much."

With the entirely unexpected co-operation of the Japanese, the physical problems of occupation were fewer than expected. Demilitarization was an easy process. Demobilization was carried out efficiently by the Japanese themselves — although critics see danger in this.

So far as the purely military phase of the occupation was concerned, nearly all necessary work had been accomplished by the end of 1945. It was certain then that Japan, denied outside aid, was incapable of waging modern war for at least ten years. Arms had been confiscated and destroyed, munitions blown up or dumped, the air

force and navy and all their equipment entirely demobilized.

## Great Experiment

It was then that General MacArthur began his great experiment — the democratization of a nation of 70 million people to whom the very word democracy was incomprehensible. Observers here say it is unfortunate for General MacArthur — and for the world too — that SCAP Public Relations did not realize that democratization cannot be reported in a series of war communiqués, nor is its progress a matter capable of day to day reporting.

Under the able control of Colonel LeGrande Diller and later under Brigadier General Frayne Baker, the public relations organization at general headquarters steadily pursued the practice it had followed in the war and, as with the fall of Manila — the capture of which was announced when only 700 American troops were in the city and three weeks before the bloodiest fighting in the Pacific War ended — immediately began to announce spectacular democratic progress.

Now, after two years of experimentation, democracy — like demilitarization, has been more successful than anyone expected. Few claim that it is the spiritual regeneration that General MacArthur sees. Nor is it true to say that not even the foundations of democracy have been laid. For military men without civilian administrative experience, General MacArthur's men have done wonderfully well.

The new constitution is democratically based. Trade unions have been established throughout the country, and are slowly, if incredulously, beginning to realize the true objects of trades unionism. A start has been made with liberal education, although it is much too soon to expect results. Agrarian reform, whereby the peasants become land owners, is being implemented.

There are other signs that General MacArthur and his staff accept as guides to a new way of thought — open air Western-style dancing, the 'partial emancipation of women', the absence of widespread crime or violence. But a Japanese to whom I suggested that this was an acceptance of democracy advised that I look further than Japan's bobbycaxers!

## Debit Side

On the debit side, critics say General MacArthur has too often confused the Japanese people. Most of them still are not quite certain what democracy implies. The newly formed trades unions, having learnt that the right to strike was a principle of unionism, were suddenly deprived the right to strike.

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

## DON'T SELL CHEAPLY

IT IS a mistake to let your opponents buy contracts too cheaply. If you can push them up beyond their depth or edge out by bidding something which your own side can make, that is far better than letting them get a neat little partial score. For this purpose, the so-called "deductive" double is a great mechanism. Used only by the player whose pass would close the auction, it indicates only moderate strength and the hope that his own side may be able to make a modest contract. But in so doing, the more possession of it saves the side from having to attempt risky overcalls.

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C A 9 7  
S A 10 3  
H 9 7 5  
D Q 8 5 2  
C K 6 4

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

South West North East  
Pass Pass 1 D Pass  
2 D Pass Pass Dbl  
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That was a perfect example of how the deductive double saved the day for a player who otherwise might have had to

Little strikes were all right under the occupation, they found. Big ones were against the law.

Public displays of affection toward the Japanese are banned, and Japanese may not be entertained in British or American hotels or lodgings. The giving of presents of food and clothing to the Japanese, even the present of chocolates to children, is a serious offence in which the giver and the receiver are adjudged equally guilty.

In turn the Japanese inns and eating and drinking houses are off limits to all Allied personnel. Lots of fraternization and eating and drinking and giving of presents occurs, of course, but all these things are punishable by heavy fines, or imprisonment, or both. Democracy, therefore, has become a matter of remote control. It is in strictures by edict and proclamation, not cultivation by fraternization and example.

After an absence from Japan of slightly more than a year I could not fail to be impressed on my return with a marked hardening in the Japanese approach to the occupation and to occupation officials. A few months after the end of the war I travelled alone and unarmed through the three main islands of Honshu, Kyushu and Shikoku. I lived in Japanese inns and was welcomed in areas where the occupation had not penetrated. People were courteous, polite and obliging.

## Not Safe

Today, such a journey — if it were permitted by SCAP — conceivably would be pleasant but not comfortable. Japanese today push you off the pavements, edge you out of lifts. American and British women in lonely parts of Tokyo have been stoned. Allied express travels at night with drawn blinds in respect for mere stone throwers.

Organised prostitution was declared illegal by General MacArthur, but the Yoshiwara is rebuilding and outside every house is a "Girls Wanted" sign. Hundreds of war criminals have been arrested, tried, executed or sentenced to imprisonment. Thousands of others whose offences were that they worked hard on the home front in the war have been dismissed from office on banned from holding any responsible position in the land. In their place has come a succession of misfits, and second string men who have neither the capacity nor the intent ability to take over from their predecessors. The result is a depressing mediocrity among the Japanese who should be leading the country toward democracy. — Router.

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Now he's gotta have son gulls!"

## Wildest Explosive Ever Adopted

An extremely violent explosive which until recently was highly secret has been disclosed as the power with which scientists expect to hurl the first objects off the earth to become artificial meteors.

Like the moon, these tiny satellites are destined to circle the globe constantly, 200 to 600 miles out. They are intended to show the way toward establishment of still larger satellites which may help solve the mysteries of matter beyond the atmospheric curtain, and perhaps hasten the age of interplanetary rockets.

To shoot objects into the sky with such force that they never would return to earth requires a form of energy that will give a projectile a speed of about seven miles a second, or 25,000 miles an hour. The German V-2, greatest of the rockets, is rated at 3,600 miles an hour, which is only one mile a second. American scientists and military men have said repeatedly they had the means by which this could be done, at least theoretically. They have tried some experiments, which were inconclusive, but lost no optimism at all.

Inquiries about the kind of motive power used brought the response that information was secret and that national security was involved.

## The Answer

The answer appeared recently in print, buried far down in a report by Dr. Fritz Zwicky, a Mount Wilson (California) astronomer, in the publications of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific.

The secret is a so-called hollow charge of penolite. Penolite is a toned-down form of one of the most powerful and possibly the wildest chemical explosive ever adopted for military use.

Non-secret technical reports show that penolite was developed around 1940 as a modification of an older high explosive with a wide reputation for being dangerous to handle and extremely violent. It is called pentacetyltrinitrate, tetranitrate, petn, for short.

These references also indicate that penolite, although safer than petn, is about one-third more powerful than TNT, the chief high explosive of all modern armies.

They indicate further that penolite has a detonation rate, or explosive speed of around 38,000 feet more than six miles per second, at low altitude, where air resistance is great. Its projectile pushing rate would be somewhat slower than that. The detonation rate of TNT is around 25,000 feet less than five miles per second.

## Enhanced

But the normal force of penolite or any other explosives is enhanced considerably by dividing the charge into long sections and stacking the sections to form a funnel shape. The explosive blast then is concentrated into a jet which shoots outward through the large end of the funnel.

This technique, discovered by an American Naval officer in 1885, was used to advantage by both sides in World War II. By shaping their charges, bombers could get much greater penetration. The hollow charge coupled with penolite, Doctor Zwicky's theory predicts a cone-shaped

piece of steel, which is the penetrating element of the anti-tank rifle grenade, at nearly 6 1/4 miles a second.

If carried 100 miles above the earth before being fired, the speed of a projectile from a penolite hollow charge should be much greater because of the lesser resistance of the thin atmosphere.

If fired from the nose of a V-2 rocket leaving the earth at its normal speed of one mile a second, the speed of the penolite projectile would be added to that of the rocket, making a total exceeding the seven miles per second needed to continue on out of this world.

This velocity of escape, as the scientists call it, when used in the proper direction could put the projectile beyond the pulling influence of gravitation. Instead of falling to earth, the projectile then would careenously circle this planet. It would travel at something less than its initial speed in an orbit somewhere between 200 and 600 miles out, becoming a tiny moon or an invisible meteor, depending upon its size and light-reflecting ability.

## First Test

On the night of December 17, 1946, at White Sands, Dr. Zwicky and associates gave the plan a preliminary test.

Six penolite hollow charges, primed with one-shaped pieces of steel for projectiles, were placed in the nose of a V-2 and were set to be fired progressively in pairs as the rocket reached the heights of 26, 34 and 42 miles.

The rocket went up 114 miles, but ground observers, expecting to see the flashes of the penolite explosions and the meteorlike streams of the steel cones traveling fast enough to make them red hot, saw nothing of the kind.

Doctor Zwicky said the penolite detonating mechanisms apparently failed but, still confident, he and his colleagues now are preparing for other tests in which projectiles will be shot from airplanes, high altitude balloons and anti-aircraft shells as well as from rockets.

They expect these super-bullets to go farther until they finally soar to freedom from the earth. — Associated Press.

## Moscow Has The "Gen"

Moscow, Aug. 23. The United States representative on the Security Council, and the bloc which he heads are concerned not with the removing of the threat to peace in Indonesia, but with "taking advantage of a situation to further their own interest," Moscow Radio said in a broadcast today.

Mr. Mikhailov, the commissioner declared that it was this attitude, and not the Soviet use of the veto — "the principle of Great Power unanimity" — which was the stumbling block in the Security Council's work.

With the same persistence with which the American representative has demanded the Council's sanction for interference in the affairs of Greece and her neighbors, now together with his colleagues he is trying to obstruct the Council's efforts to restore peace in Indonesia, the commissioner added. — Router.



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## CLEAVAGE IN JAPANESE COMMUNIST PARTY

But Both Sides Have Same Objective

### Offensive Against Social-Democrats

(By Ralph Tetsworth)

Tokyo, Aug. 23.  
Communist agitation for an October "labour offensive" in Japan brings into focus a cleavage within the Party's high command, with one faction advocating subtle and peaceful means and the other following the hard Marxist line of revolution by violence and bloodshed if necessary. Both factions have the same objective—the establishment of a Communist-dominated Government in Japan.

The Japan Communist Party has opened a full-scale offensive against the Social-Democrat Government of Premier Tetsu Katayama. It also campaigned bitterly against the earlier and more conservative Hoshida/Shidehara Governments.

In the early days of the occupation, the Communists tried to gain a working agreement with the Social Democrats. But the latter steadfastly declined such an alliance and today it is treated with the same Communist contempt as non-Socialist groups.

To get an idea of the differences within the Communist fold it is necessary to scan the personalities and backgrounds of the top Party leaders.

The Big Three "Commies" in Japan—in the order of most likely importance and power—are Kyuichi Tokuda, the Party's strong man; Sanzo Nosaka, its top intellectual; and Yoshio Shiga, its leading editor.

The division of thought among these three, which cannot be called a Party split, is at present based on the Nosaka theory that a minority group must work peacefully and temporarily where necessary in order to achieve its ends.

Tokuda, and to a lesser degree Shiga, believe in the uncompromising rule of force. These clashing ideas have been argued heatedly in the Party's secret councils. Best informed Japanese sources said the results of these debates gave Nosaka increased stature and more support to the conciliatory programme known as the "Nosaka Line."

Nosaka is reported to have pointed out to the other Party leaders the futility of the Communist attempt to bring about a paralysing general strike last February. General MacArthur halted the strike—a great blow to the advocates of force.

Tokuda has not lost his place as Japan's No. 1 Communist. But Nosaka's influence has definitely expanded.

Tokuda and Shiga are of the group known in Japan as "Prison Communists." They were imprisoned by the Japanese for 17½ years from March, 1928, until released by the occupation forces in October, 1945. Part of the time they were cellmates and together plotted for the future.

#### Extremists

They are extremists and believe in the Marxist Party line and violence when it is needed to accomplish the objective. Their thinking, no doubt, has been coloured by their years in prison.

Nosaka, on the other hand, does not regard strict adherence to orthodox Marxism as always desirable or expedient. He recognizes that Japan's Communists form a small minority and wants to extend their influence through affiliation with non-Communist groups and so-called Popular Fronts' cultural activities.

Nosaka is believed to have said that the Tokuda group can no longer inspire the confidence of the working masses because his viewpoint is narrow and outdated.

Well-informed Japanese believe Nosaka has greater contact with the Russian's than any other Party leader. Some think his faction is more likely to be engaged in espionage. He devoted a great deal of effort toward agitation among Japanese farmers, urging them to withhold rice quotas.

Nosaka, too, has known the inside of a Japanese jail. He once apologized for serving less "time" than the others. He was imprisoned three times but escaped to Vladivostok in 1931. He travelled widely in Europe and was working in North China at the end of the war.

Nosaka, who has served with the executive committee of the Comintern, is the only Japanese Communist with an international reputation and therefore regarded as too important for other factions to ignore or oppose.

His wife fled with him to Russia in 1931 and was repatriated to Japan only last January. She is an active Party worker and talked with V. M. Molotov before she returned.

#### Rabble Rouser

Where Nosaka is quiet and aesthetic, Tokuda is an aggressive rabble rouser with a dynamic personality. Tokuda is believed to be openly anti-American and the man most likely to lead Japan Communists underground if pressure on them should be increased.

Shiga, editor of the Japan Communist paper "Red Flag," usually is in the Tokuda camp but has been known to shift his support to the other faction. He holds something of a power balance.—United Press.

## "Socialist Scheme" In Franco-Spain

Madrid, Aug. 24.

Generalissimo Franco's regime, despite its anti-Communist and anti-Socialist policy, is well embarked on a programme of government ownership and management of industry planned to cost 4,840,000,000 pesetas (US\$442,000,000).

This sum equals 20 per cent of all the capital invested in Spanish corporations. The National Industry Institution—known as the INI from the initials of its Spanish name—has aroused bitter criticism.

Business circles contend that it monopolizes business opportunities and competes unfairly with private enterprise because of tax reductions, low interest rates, facilities for obtaining foreign exchange and other advantages guaranteed by the government.

Such criticism is barred from the Spanish press, which is under strict State control.

Since its formation in 1941, INI has spent 977,000,000 pesetas. That amounts to seven per cent of the current annual budget, or about nine times the sum assigned to agriculture in what has always been a predominantly agricultural country.

#### No Competition

Under the decrees which govern it, INI does not seek to compete with private enterprise. Its purpose is to develop those fields where business has no interest because of the small return available in return for the risk involved.

At the same time, INI investments are required to be in industries important to the national economy or the armed forces.

Although INI's work is described as temporary, some of its plans have been laid for as far ahead as 1955. Its plans for new buildings, in the heart of Madrid's finest residential section is well under way.—Associated Press.

## Riots In Lahore

Lahore, Aug. 23.

Troops went into action again in communal disturbances in rural areas of Lahore—the Punjab district now divided between Pakistan and India—but there was continued improvement in the situation in the cities of Lahore (Pakistan) and Amritsar (India), a communique issued by the Punjab boundary force said tonight.

Expressing the army's inability to feed the refugees in the area the communique referred to "hundreds of thousands of men, women and children now in the flow of refugees east and west."

The communique referred to action taken by the troops against groups of "both communities," casualties being inflicted and arrests made. The communities were not specified, but were presumed to be Muslims, on the one side, and Hindus and Sikhs on the other.

"The army also suffered casualties in these encounters," the communique added.—Reuter.

## Ship Hits Sunken Wreckage

Hamburg, Aug. 23.

The U.S. Liberty ship "John La Farge," 7,170 tons, today struck wreckage of a sunken U-boat in the port of Hamburg, the German news agency in the British zone reported.

The ship, owned by the United States Maritime Commission, sprang a leak and water rushed into her hold, which carried 8,100 tons of wheat.—Reuter.

## NUDE MAN IN CONVENT

Paris, Aug. 23.

A nude man, who was reported to have broken into a girls' convent at Nantes, and attempted to strangle a nun, was being sought today by the police.

The police stated that for the past week the man, sometimes dressed only in shorts, but more often completely naked, has appeared in bed rooms, shown an electric torch on the occupants and then swiftly disappeared.—Reuter.

## U.S. Telescope For Canton Observatory

Cambridge, Mass., Aug. 24.

China's Sun Yat-sen University Observatory—looked of most of its equipment by the Japanese in 1942—is to receive the loan of a telescope from Harvard on a long-term basis.

Dr. Harlow Shapley, Director of Harvard College Observatory, announced Saturday that Harvard's historic 11-inch "Draper" refractor will be shipped soon to the Chinese Observatory at Canton. Shipment of the instrument has been made possible by funds from the Chinese residents of Greater Boston.

The late Dr. Henry Draper used the telescope at his observatory in New York State to make the first photograph of the Orion nebula. His widow in 1895 donated the instrument to Harvard.—Associated Press.

## MOSCOW:—

## U.S. Naval Base At Leghorn

Moscow, Aug. 24.

The Soviet Army newspaper "Red Star" told Russian officers on Saturday that the United States Navy intends to build a Naval base at Leghorn after the American armed forces leave Italy.

To accomplish this purpose, the newspaper said, "private firms" will rent buildings and plots of land in Leghorn "under the pretext of the development of United States foreign trade. These firms will build in the port military installations required for the American fleet, acting under orders of the Navy Command."

"Red Star" said the Italian Government would cooperate by passing a law providing for removing any restriction against the participation of foreign capital in the Italian economy. "American pressure is being brought on Italy primarily for reasons of a military and strategic character," the "Red Star" added. "The principal object is creation of a base in Leghorn."—Associated Press.

## Canada And Japan Peace

Ottawa, Aug. 23.

The Canadian Defence Minister, Brooke Claxton, said in an interview on Friday that he thought Canada's objectives at the Empire talks on the Japanese peace settlement would be on the same lines as those of Australia.

Canada's main interests in the Pacific peace settlement, Mr. Claxton said, were: first, security against future Japanese aggression and then the earliest possible restoration of conditions which would permit the extension of commerce and foster economic reconstruction and recovery in the Far East with safeguards against the building up any new war potential.—Associated Press.

## CONGRESS PROBE INTO WAR CRIMES TRIALS?

San Francisco, Aug. 22.

An Omaha attorney, just back from Tokyo where he served as a war crimes prosecutor, has recommended that Congress investigate the Japanese war crimes trials.

S. P. Gibbs charged that a deliberate slow-down had delayed the trials of suspected Japanese war criminals. He intends to put the facts before Senators Hugh Butler and Kenneth Wherry.

Gibbs said that attorneys handling war crimes trials were intentionally slowing down operations to prolong their US\$7,500-US\$8,500 a year jobs. He said: "They've got so many incompetent people fumbling and falling over each other, practically nothing is being done."—United Press.

## "Lancaster" Designer Killed In Crash

Woodford, Cheshire, Aug. 23.

Roy Chadwick, the designer of the four-engined "Lancaster" bomber which played so vital a part in Britain's air offensive against Germany in the war, was killed today when one of A.V. Roe and Co.'s newest "Tudor II" planes crashed at Woodford aerodrome here during a test flight today.

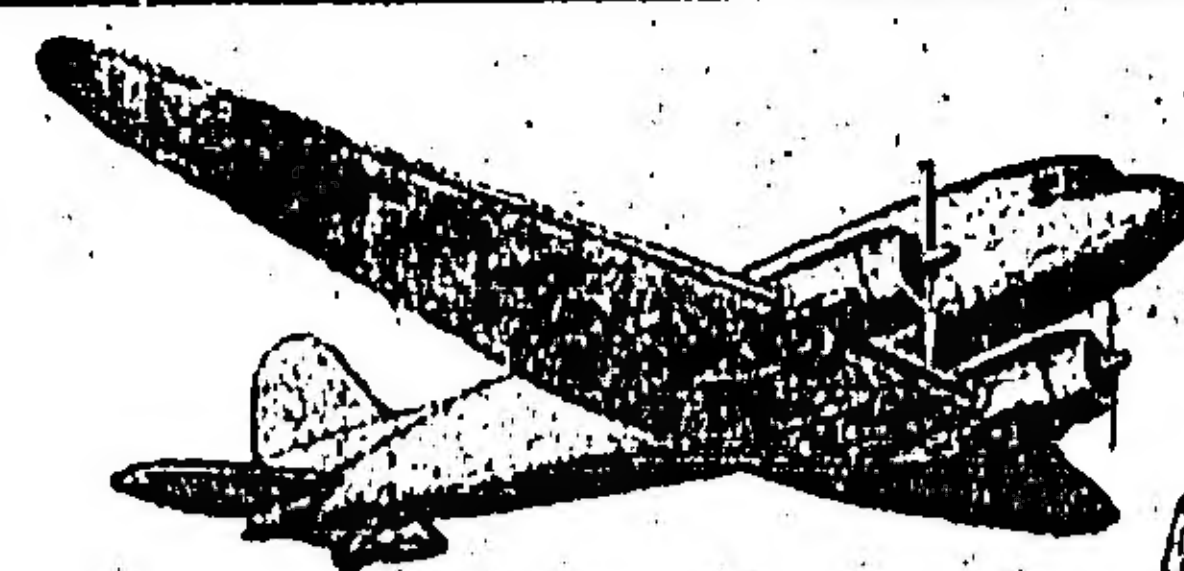
Besides Mr. Chadwick, the Company's chief designer, three other technicians of the Company were also killed and two were injured.

Mr. Chadwick had designed over 30 types of aircraft, during a lifetime in the industry.

Mr. Sydney A. Thorn, the Company's chief test pilot, also died. An eyewitness account of the crash said that the "Tudor" just "dropped" after taking off.

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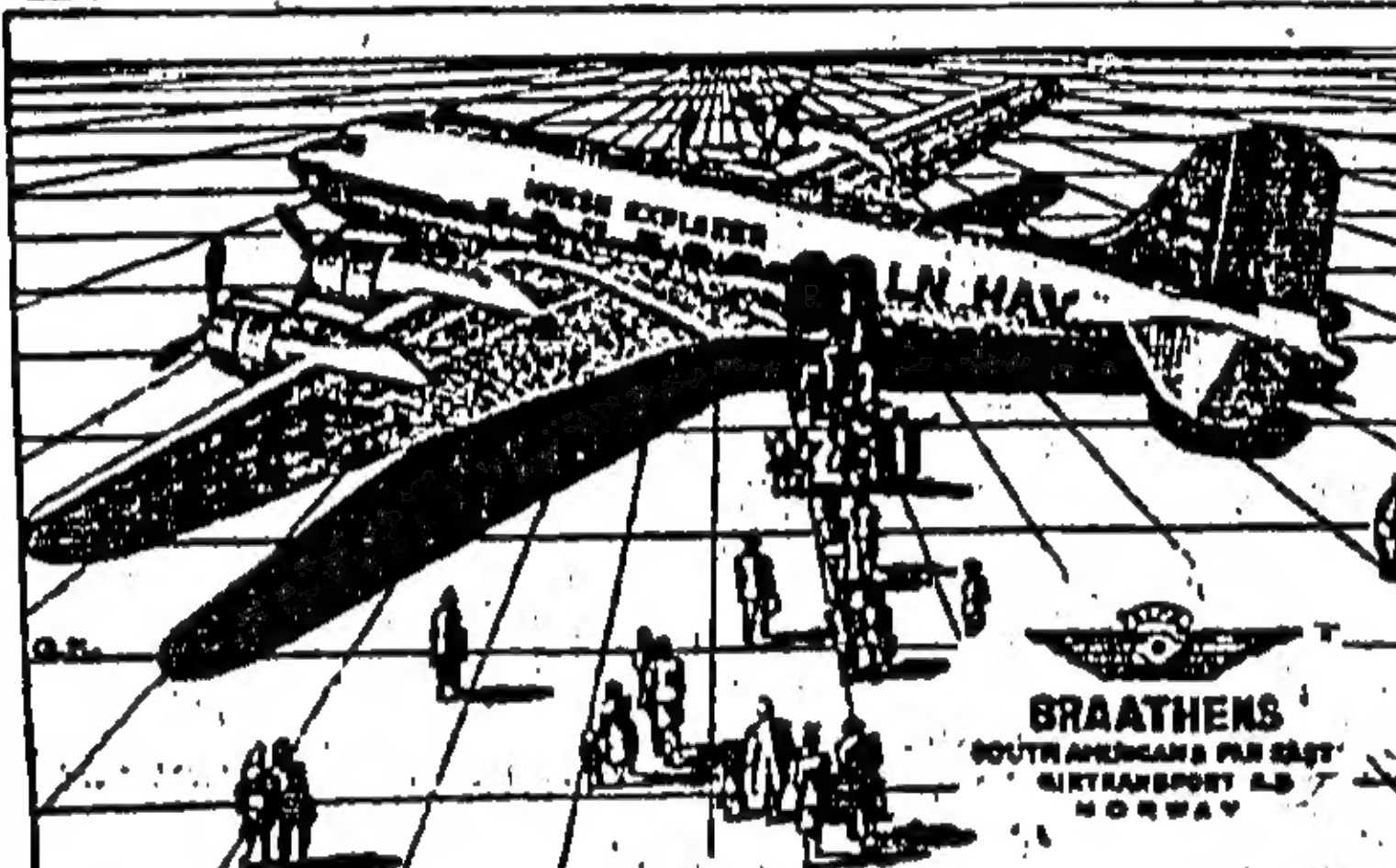
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# AN INFORMAL AGREEMENT IN WASHINGTON TALKS?

Washington, Aug. 23. An informal agreement to liberalise the non-discrimination article of the Anglo-American loan agreement was reported here today to have been reached between Sir Wilfrid Eady, leader of the British delegation, and United States officials.

## Forgeries Of American Dollar Seized

Washington, Aug. 23. Forged dollars from Britain are part of an influx of counterfeit American currency from Europe, it is disclosed by the U.S. Secret Service. Agents at U.S. Ports have seized 60,000 dollars of bogus money, brought in chiefly by crews of foreign vessels who, it is believed, had bought it at what they thought bargain prices. Some of the faked dollars were detected by banks in Britain, who submitted them to the U.S. Treasury for expert examination. Most of them have been put down as pre-war forgeries, but a few are of suspected Nazi origin, and some suggest that new counterfeiting activity is afoot in Europe as dollars get scarcer and black-marketing becomes less profitable.—Our Own Correspondent.

## N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Aug. 24. The N.Y. stock market during the past week displayed an irregularly lower trend but bullish contingents derived some satisfaction from the fact that dealings were the slowest for more than three years. Major commodities hit record peaks. Bonds were mixed. Sentiment was chilled but sharp were not particularly weakened by the government's Anti-Trust and price fixing charges against steel, rubber, Technicolour and brake lining industries. Light offerings were attributed partly to skepticism regarding the business outlook, with the cloudy export picture stressed following the shift in the Anglo-American loan pact suspending sterling convertibility temporarily. Dwindling dollar resources abroad. It was feared, would substantially restrict purchases from the United States. Mounting labour difficulties provided a restraint. While some dividends and earnings were ignored, marketwise special issues exhibited a certain amount of strength. Timid short covering and quick-turn buying provided intermittent support as professional elements felt the list was in technically good shape for a Fall rally if news warranted. The financial sector derived some satisfaction from the Secretary of Exchange Commission's

Washington, Aug. 23. The second major result of the conference, which was adjourned last night with the announcement that Sir Wilfrid Eady and Mr. Cameron Cobbold, Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, were returning to London tomorrow to "report progress to the Government and to discuss policy requirements."

Previously, an agreement had been reached on the convertibility clause (No. 8). The agreement on the non-discrimination clause, which limits Britain's ability to buy in soft currency areas, was understood to be unofficial, and it was expected to remain so pending the continuing technical discussions on ways and means of formalising a modification without an approach to the United States Congress.

The effect of it will be, however, to enable Britain further to cut dollar purchases in the United States and try to make up for them by buying similar goods in the Empire and soft currency areas in line with her new sterling drive. It is understood that Sir Wilfrid Eady will confer with members of the Cabinet as soon as he arrives in London for the purpose of drawing up a picture of Britain's balance of payments position in readiness for the resumption of high level conferences, either in Washington or London.—Reuter.

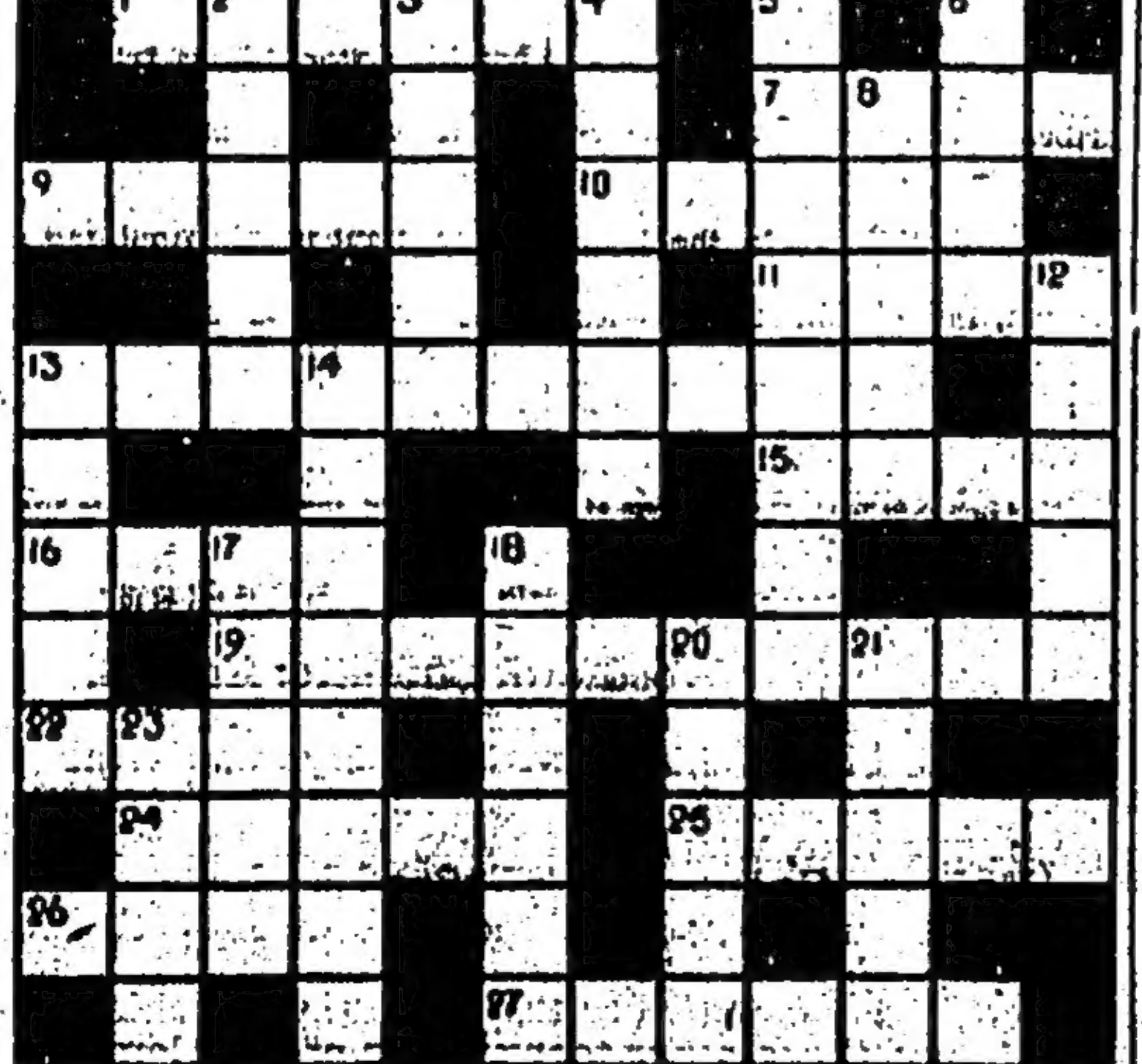
## STERLING CLAMP HITS AT U.S.

New York, Aug. 22. The tightening of sterling's convertibility is expected to increase foreign selling of United States securities. Washington expects the Paris conference to submit a "well padded" summary on requirements from the United States under the Marshall plan and that the aid requested—most likely will be trimmed 50 to 75 per cent to make it palatable. Present industrial profit margins still leave ample room for wage increases and price reductions without any change in productivity was charged by sources closely connected with the C.I.O. auto-workers' union.—Reuter.

## COMMODITY INDEX

New York, Aug. 24. The Associated Press composite of 35 wholesale commodity prices dipped to 187.25 on August 22, marking its first Friday-to-Friday decline in nine weeks. At this level the index (in which the base year 1926 equals 100) compared with 187.48 a week earlier and 174.74 a year ago. Industrial and livestock components were off from the preceding Friday while advances were registered by food, grains, cotton and textiles.—Associated Press.

## A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



**Clues Across**  
1. Enlightened. 10. Remembrance. 11. Sign. 12. False. 13. Foreigner. 14. Representative. 15. Fruit. 16. Slave. 17. Law. 18. Low. 19. Healing. 20. Commotion. 21. Flight. 22. Blood.  
**Clues Down**  
2. Hurl. 3. Cancel. 4. Expand. 5. Writer. 6. Music. 7. Optical. 8. Staged. 9. Wore. 13. Ceremonial garments. 14. Premature. 15. Custom. 16. Weapon. 17. Own. 18. Neck. 19. Pull along.

**Saturday's Crossword**  
Across: 1. Steady. 2. Flower. 3. Overt. 4. Copy. 5. Answer. 6. Auld. 7. Oppal. 8. Ruler. 9. Demur. 10. Extended. 11. Blot. 12. Minor. 13. Porous. 14. Would. 15. Leash.  
Down: 1. Sincere. 2. Rescued. 3. Dual. 4. Infamous. 5. Great. 6. Ended. 7. Fresh. 8. Admire. 9. Applied. 10. Endowed. 11. Answer. 12. Tame.

## Askania Works To Shut Down?

Berlin, Aug. 23. The directors of the Askania Works in Berlin, where, three weeks ago, United States intelligence officers announced they had discovered large undeclared stocks of military and naval precision instruments, have asked the Berlin City Council to intervene with the United States Military Government to avert any complete shutdown of the plant and discharge of the factory's 700 workers. Two members of the board of the factory said today that all of Askania's bank accounts were now blocked, making it impossible for the firm's accounts to be met. "We cannot even pay our electricity bill, so our power supply will soon be cut off," they said. "We are allowed to pay our workers, but we cannot make payment to suppliers of materials, nor are we allowed to deliver any products. Under such conditions, it is certain that we must close down."—Reuter.

## VARSITY EXAM PAPERS SOLD?

Tsingtao, Aug. 24. President Chao Tai-mu, of the National Shantung University is investigating charges that a member of the faculty secretly sold question papers for the recent entrance examination at NC43,500, 000 a piece. About 600 middle school graduates participated in the examination of whom 200 were to be enrolled, but how many—if any—bought question papers has not yet been determined. Charges were made by a group of students who said they saw several other groups copying questions of English and physics tests. If the charges are substantiated, President Chao probably will decide to hold another examination.—Associated Press.

Capetown, Aug. 23. Sets of coins commemorating the Royal visit to South Africa, consisting of nine pieces ranging from a crown down to a farthing and costing 11s. 4d. are now selling in the Union for £10. The sets were struck by special dies and are legal tender but so great has been the demand for them that they are already rare.—Our Own Correspondent.

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Silk Ban

Shanghai, Aug. 23.  
A Central News dispatch from  
Hangchow today said the  
Chekiang Provincial Silk and  
Cotton Trade Guilds have sent a  
petition to Government to ban the  
import of Japanese silk and silk  
textiles into China in order to  
protect Chinese products.  
The petition urged Government  
to pay special attention and guard  
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United Press.

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## "Witch-Hunt" Follows Ape Man Panic

Shanghai, Aug. 24.

The English-language morning paper "China Press" today reported that one woman was killed and at least another injured during the past week by illiterate communities in the Nantao and Footing suburbs, following widespread rumours of monsters and child abductors on a rampage in those districts.  
The rumours said that a fiendish beast was loose in Footing which was pulling children into the river with claws while other rumours said that women have been kidnapping children, gouging out their eyes and cutting out their hearts.  
An unidentified woman, aged 30, was said to have been gang-raped to death on suspicion of being a member of the gang.—United Press.

## INDIA'S VIEWS ON WORLD TRADE CHARTER

Geneva, Aug. 23.

Sir Raghavan Pallai, leader of the Indian delegation and Vice-Chairman of the International Trade Conference, declared here today, at the final meeting of the Preparatory Committee that the draft charter held "an added interest and a new significance" for India in view of the creation, in the two new Dominions, which promised the early practical development of the country's economy.

He recognised that an "acceptable" basis of agreement on voting and membership could only be found at the World Conference.

The charter was not devoid of "the defects of patchwork" and was noteworthy also "for what it did not convey," he added.  
Sir Raghavan Pallai mentioned the cooperation shown by the Indian delegation, which, he said, had made only two reservations of importance on articles dealing with investments and government assistance to economic development.  
Both these articles, had been referred to the Government for study and consideration.  
The Indian delegate said that though far from perfect, the

Chief Merit

"Each of us could wish that more of what we liked and less of what we do not quite like had been written into it," the Indian delegate said, adding that this was perhaps its chief merit.  
He hoped that Havana, where the full session is to consider the charter in November, the charter would be fashioned into "a powerful instrument for the production of concord and harmony in the sphere of international commerce."—Reuter.

## SHANGHAI THEATRE STRIKE THREAT

Shanghai, Aug. 24.

Major movie theatres are threatening closure today following an enforced shutdown of four leading cinemas yesterday due to the strike of their employees.  
Although the Government, in the recent total mobilization order, outlawed all strikes, the employees walked off their jobs reportedly because the Majestic Theatre—Shanghai's largest and most luxurious theatre—hired two union men.—United Press.

## Chinese Professors For America

Shanghai, Aug. 24.

Ten professors from leading Chinese universities, selected from 225 applicants, have been awarded the United States-China Fellowships for study in the United States in social science, natural science, engineering, agriculture, education and psychology. It was announced today.  
Dwight Edwards, Field Director of the USC, explained that the purpose of fellowships awarded for the first time this year is to provide opportunities for outstanding professors in China's best schools to take a "refresher" year in the United States either

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CHIANG PUSHES AGAINST REDS

Nanking, Aug. 24.

The war in Shantung has moved nearer the eastern tip of the Kiaochoo Peninsula where most of the Communist supply ports are located. The Nationalists have recaptured Changyi, 70 miles northwest of Tientsin.  
In addition, Government troops, driving east and west along the Tientsin-Tsingtao rail line, linked up roughly midway between the two cities, wresting back the whole stretch of the line for the third time since the end of the Japanese war.  
The Communists ousted from Changyi are now reported to be retreating to Laiyang and Chefoo, north of Tientsin, with the Nationalists in pursuit.  
Meanwhile, the Ministry of National Defence says that traffic between Kufeng and Huachow was resumed yesterday.—United Press.

In research or advanced study.

The first of the group, Dr. Tai Paning, professor of chemistry in the Nanking University, is sailing this morning aboard the "transport," General Gordon.—United Press.

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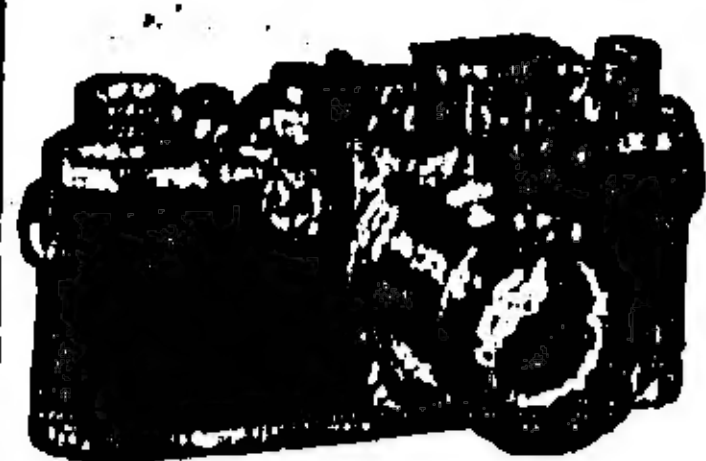
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## SING TAO LOSES FIRST MATCH OF TOUR

London, Aug. 23.  
Encouraged by a large contingent of Chinese naval cadets from Chatham and receiving sympathetic support from a crowd of 14,000, the Sing Tao Club of Hong Kong made a brave show in the opening match of their football tour of England, but were not good enough for Dulwich Hamlet, one of England's premier amateur sides, who won by 5 to 2 today.

The Chinese players presented a picturesque spectacle in black and yellow-hooped shirts, and added colour was provided by the left-back, Gosano, who played throughout with a green bandeau around his forehead.

The celebrated Tiger Team, Sing Tao never really recovered from a shock goal by Jover, 30 seconds after the start, and were three goals down after 18 minutes.

They struggled gamely, however, and brought the score to 2-3 after being 1 goal to 3 in arrears at half time. But then they cracked, and Dulwich finished easy winners.

In everything except shooting, the Chinese were the Hamlet's equal. Their close range passing looked pretty and often caught the Dulwich defenders on the wrong foot, but none would take the responsibility of trying a shot, and even a penalty was missed.

With most of the Chinese players about 5 feet, 6 inches in height, they were naturally at a disadvantage when the ball was in the air, but they always went up for it and occasionally beat the taller Dulwich players.

## "CONSCRIPTION BROKERS" BROKEN

Shanghai, Aug. 24.  
The Police said today they have broken up a well-organized ring of "conscription brokers" which had been selling able-bodied substitutes to replace men conscripted into the Chinese National Army.

Prisoners ranged from NC31,000,000 to \$4,000,000 a head. Nine suspected conspirators and 10 victims have been rounded up. — Associated Press.

## American Baseball

New York, Aug. 24.  
In the National League, St. Louis needed Joe Medwick's three-run homer in the sixth and a stirring eighth inning triple play to beat last-place Philadelphia 5-3.

With Stan Musial and Whitey Kurowski on base, Medwick announced that he would hit a homer into left field bleachers 335 feet away, and then did so.

In the eighth, with men on first and second, Philadelphia pinch-hitter Charley Gilbert tried to bunt. He missed two pitches, then popped a weak foul. Catcher Del Rice caught it, threw it to Mutt Marlin at second who relayed to first baseman Musial for the second National League triple play of the season.

Brooklyn won a costly victory to maintain their six game lead. Brooklyn second baseman Ed Stanky and shortstop Pee Wee Reese were splinted so severely by base runners that they limped from the field. Outfielder Carl Furillo also was splinted, but remained in the game. Brooklyn defeated Cincinnati 5-5.

Boston collected nine runs in the first two innings, defeating Chicago 10-4.

Pittsburgh collected 24 hits to win a double header. Pinch-hitter Bill Salkeld's two-run single in the seventh decided the opener.

In the American League, Allie Reynolds became the first American League pitcher to win sixteen victories this season as New York trounced Cleveland, for whom Reynolds pitched last year.

Philadelphia's Dick Fowler blanked St. Louis 7-0.

Washington did all its scoring in the last three innings after five errors nearly wasted the tight pitching of Washington's Marino Pieretti and Mito Candini.

The Boston at Chicago game was postponed.

## A Million Fans For Soccer

London, Aug. 23.  
More than one million sweltering fans attended the "big kick off" in 44 English League matches up and down the country today. The last football season ended ten weeks ago in a heat wave and after the shortest close period on record, the 1947-1948 programme began in identical conditions which were more in keeping with cricket than football.

Players not only had to contend with the heat but also some bone-hard pitches, which were responsible for numerous injuries — the most serious of which was the fractured skull of Reynolds, the Aldershot goalkeeper at Torquay.

Manchester City and Burnley, who received promotion from the Second Division last season, started well, in the premier league, each scoring well-deserved victories.

Sixty thousand spectators at Maine Road, Manchester, saw the City beat the powerful Wolverhampton side by 4-3 after being 1-2 in arrears in just after half-time, while Burnley visited Portsmouth, where a goal by Foote after only three minutes proved to be the decider.

Brentford, who were relegated last season, did not make a happy return in the second division, losing to Fulham by 2-0, whose centre-forward McIlhenny scored a hat-trick against them.

## National League

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St. Louis	5	8	0
Philadelphia	3	11	1
Winning pitcher	Hearn		
Cincinnati	5	11	1
Brooklyn	6	14	4
Winning pitcher	Vic Lombardi		
Chicago	4	12	1
Boston	10	15	0
Winning pitcher	Red Barrett		
Pittsburgh (1st)	11	14	2
New York	10	12	2
Winning pitcher	Bagby		

## American League

	R	H	E
New York	13	17	0
Cleveland	0	12	3
Winning pitcher	Allie Reynolds		
Philadelphia	7	13	2
St. Louis	0	4	3
Winning pitcher	Dick Fowler		
Washington	5	10	6
Detroit	3	4	2
Winning pitcher	Mito Candini		

## Holden Wins AAA Trophy

Loughborough, Aug. 23.  
Jack Holden, of Tipton Harriers, favourite for the event, won the Amateur Athletic Association marathon in two hours, 33 minutes and 20.2 seconds.

Tom Richards of the South London Harriers, was second in 2 hours, 35 minutes and 7 seconds, while D. McNab Robertson of the Maryhill Harriers, Scotland, six times previous winner, was third in 2 hours, 37 minutes and 54.5 seconds.

H. G. Moesgaard-Kjeldsen of the Polytechnic Harriers, with 5,955 points, won the Decathlon event which also forms part of the Association's championships.

Captain Harry Whittle of Reading, holder of the A.A.A. 400 metres and long jump titles, was second with 5,650 points.

Holden is former National Cross Country Champion and holder of the world's 20 miles track record. His time was the second fastest recorded in the event, the record for 26 miles and 385 yards being 2 hours, 30 minutes and 57.6 seconds by H.W. Payne from Windsor to Stamford Bridge, London, in 1929. — Reuter.

## "RED" BANDITS IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Aug. 23.  
The police disclosed today that the armed and uniformed Chinese bandits who waylaid a United States Navy Chief Petty Officer and a civilian employee late on Wednesday night in an exclusive residential suburb were "Communists."

The two men were attacked by a group of about 15 armed men when riding a jeep. The civilian was shot and the jeep stolen in addition to the pair's valuables. — United Press.

Holland's Miss Nel Van Vliet set a new record in the 200-metre breast-stroke event today as she won the finals of the National Amateur Athletic Union outdoor women's meet in two minutes 53.6 seconds.

The defending champion, Nancy Merki, was second. Miss Van Vliet was the favourite after she set a new United States mark in the trials at 3:03.4. — United Press.

## COMPTON ON VERGE OF NEW RECORD

London, Aug. 23.  
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Compton was well supported by F.G. Mann, Cambridge Blue and son of the former Middlesex captain, who scored his first century for Middlesex. His stand with Compton realised 304 runs in 3 hours, 16 minutes, and he hit 13 fours.

Gloucestershire, Middlesex's rivals in the County Championship table, were engaged at Burnhampton, where their captain, B.C. Allen, came to his side's rescue against Hampshire with a fighting innings after two wickets had fallen for 42 runs.

Allen compiled his highest score in first-class cricket in just under six hours, and hit 26 fours.

A sound innings by H. P. Crabtree, a local schoolmaster who knocked up 117 runs, and 98 by S.J. Gray, opening batsman, helped Essex score 380 against the South African cricket tourists at Southend-on-Sea.

The South Africans batted for one over without scoring before the close of play.

## Poor Prospects For German Farmer

Hamburg, Aug. 23.  
German farmers throughout the British Zone, anxiously watching much of their produce prematurely ripen and then shrivel under a burning sun, are praying for rain to save the remaining harvest crops from severe damage.

German agricultural reports have been collecting reports from all over Germany on the effects on the harvest of Germany's worst drought in years.

In Schleswig-Holstein, only 30 per cent of the normal wheat yield is expected; peas have ripened prematurely and half the crop is expected to be lost and there is a bad apple crop. The vegetable yield is generally good.

In lower Saxony, oats and rye crops are expected to be better than last year, but turnips have been severely hit and the lack of rain is threatening the mid-lying good potato crop. — Reuter.

## Peron Warns That His Patience 'Is Worn Out'

Buenos Aires, Aug. 24.  
President Juan Peron today warned his opponents that his patience is exhausted and that if they do not accept his bids for tranquility, it will be forced upon them.

The President spoke during welcome-home ceremonies for Mrs. Peron upon her return from a two and half month tour in Europe.

She was given one of the most lavish receptions ever seen in Buenos Aires.

President Peron said: "We ask peace for the entire world, tranquility and collaboration."

"The forces of evil running a gamut of insidious intrigues and slanders are exhausting our patience and our tranquility." The crowd, estimated to exceed 100,000, began shouting, "To the gallows", referring to the opponent's regime.

Peron was interrupted for several minutes until the crowd became quiet. — United Press.

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## Close Of Play

Close of play scores in matches started today were:

At Eastbourne—Sussex 221 (Parks not out 119); Lancashire 33 for 0.

At Northampton—Yorkshire 250 (Lester 125; C.B. Clarke slow leg break, 7 for 120); Northamptonshire 131 for 1 (Darron not out 59).

At Lords—Middlesex 462 for 7 (Compton 173, Mann 108); Surrey to bat. Bad light stopped play.

At Leicester—Leicestershire 276 (Hales 62, Chapman 74; Hollies, right arm slow leg break, 6 for 88); Warwickshire 81 for 2.

At Worcester—Worcestershire 56 (Copson, right arm fast medium, 5 for 15; Gladwin, right arm fast medium, 4 for 10 and 15 for 1; Derbyshire 205 (Smith 61; Howarth, left arm slow spin, 5 for 88).

At Taunton—Kent 402 for 9 declared (Todd 173, Fagg 82; Hazell, left arm slow, 6 for 111); Somerset 44 for 0.

At Nottingham—Gloucestershire 234 (E. Davies 55, Dyson 83); Nottinghamshire 63 for 1.

At Bourne—Gloucestershire 424 for 6 (Allen 220, Wilson 69); Hampshire to bat.

At Southend—Essex 380; South Africa 0 for 0. — Reuter.

## Karachi Flooded By New Arrivals

Karachi, Aug. 23.  
Karachi swarms with pioneers — bivouacking, picknicking, improvising, with an air of excitement.

Daily the "Pakistan Special" from Delhi comes in bringing 40 hours packed like sardines, including a passage across the baking Sind Desert — albeit in the "Promised Land" with vociferous cheers.

Cabinet Ministers use packing cases as desks, cracking jokes with grinning painters who drip whitewash on them.

Even the Governor-General designate, Mr. Jinnah has no telephone directory.

Pakistanis have no corroding suspicions of the foreigners. They are pleased to have secured British "yellow dominions" subjects, as it was put to me — for four of their five Governors and eight of their 23 heads of departments.

This constructive atmosphere has led the Hindus who constitute a majority of Karachi's business community to declare their loyalty to the new State and pledge their complete co-operation. Prospects of a surplus trade balance and food enough to export hearten the Finance Minister.

With 30 new blocks of flats going up, a cost of £500,000 to house 30,000 new arrivals, Karachi has the atmosphere of a town which suddenly finds itself the centre of a new gushing oil field. — Our Own Correspondent.

## ADJING THE HANGMAN CAUGHT

Batavia, Aug. 23.  
The notorious hangman Adjing was captured by the Dutch military authorities three hours after his arrival here today, according to an Aneta (Dutch) News Agency dispatch.

Adjing is alleged to have committed 35 murders in the lawless period immediately following the Javanese capitulation, when countless whites were murdered. Adjing was last reported to have escaped to Poerwokerto, mid-Java, where he became a lieutenant in the Republican Army. The Dutch military authorities had their eyes on him and followed his movements closely. — United Press.

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## Soviet Releases Three GI's

Seoul, Aug. 24.  
American Intelligence officers said today the Russians have released unarmoured three American enlisted men who were taken into custody on August 12 on the Soviet side of the border dividing the two zones of Korea.

The trio are en route here for questioning by the Intelligence G.I.I.

The men were taken into custody when as members of a telephone repair party they wandered into the Russian zone.

Moreover Radio today broadcast a Tass dispatch that students in northern cities of China had protested at the pardon granted U.S. Marine Corp. William G. Penrose after he had been convicted of raping a Chinese girl.

In a Shanghai dispatch, Tass said: "Tientsin papers published the appeal of the All-China Student Association to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and President Truman."

"Addressing Chiang, the students demanded the Chinese Government take a firm stand with regard to the United States, and sharply protested against outrages committed by American troops in Tientsin, Tsingtao and other cities."

"They also protested against the Navy's acquittal of Pearson, who early this year was sentenced to 15 years imprisonment for raping a Chinese girl student."

The students also requested the Chinese Government to demand immediate withdrawal of American forces from China, according to Moscow Radio. — United Press.

## SPORT HERE AND THERE

Columbia University, Ill., Aug. 32.  
Speedy Negro half-back Buddy Young, who was often called too small for professional football, today showed the Chicago Bears he is good enough to go against the best when he led the College All-Stars to a 16-0 victory in the annual contest with professionals.

Notre Dame's Jim Mello scored the first touchdown from six, the second was scored by Jack Zilly (Notre Dame) on a pass in the first quarter.

Another Notre Dame, Johnny Manstrange kicked a field goal from the 29 in the third period. — United Press.

Scarborough, Aug. 23.  
The Indian Davis Cup tennis player, Ghaus Mohammed, was beaten in the final of the North of England Lawn-Tennis Championships men's singles by Ignacy Tloczynski of Poland by 7-5, 6-4, 2-6 and 6-3. Tloczynski thus retained the title.

Diminutive Miss Gem Ho-hing of China won the women's singles, beating Miss M. V. Cooper by 6-2 and 6-0 in the final.

Ghaus Mohammed, partnered by C. T. Tilling of England, was beaten in the men's doubles final. They lost to the New Zealand pair, J.E. Roison, and J.A. Barry, by 6-4, 6-2 and 6-3. — Reuter.

Brooklyn, Mass., Aug. 23.  
Miss Louise Brough and Miss Margaret Osborne successfully defended their women's title in the United States National Doubles Lawn-Tennis Championships here today.

In the final they avenged their Wimbledon defeat by beating the other American pair, Miss Davis Hart and Mrs. Pat Todd, by 6-7, 6-3 and 7-5.

When the pairs met in the final of the women's doubles at Wimbledon, Miss Hart and Mrs. Todd ran out winners by 6-4, 6-4 and 7-6.

In the men's final of the United States National Doubles Championships, Jack Kramer and Red Schroeder, the United States Davis Cup pair, defeated Billy Talbot (United States) and Bill Caldwell (Australia) by 6-4, 7-5 and 6-3, and practically assured themselves of the doubles match against Australia in the Davis Cup. — Reuter.

Goodwood, Aug. 23.  
There was a surprise outcome to the Trial Stakes over one

## JAPAN READY TO SIGN WITHOUT REDS

Tokyo, Aug. 24.  
Japan, visibly buoyed by the prospect of an early formal peace, is prepared to accept a treaty without Russia's signature even if it means heavy financial cost and continued worry.

This viewpoint has been expressed privately in official government circles as the country turns to the Canberra conference for indications whether or not it will receive the speedy benevolent peace it expects.

The Japanese prefer Soviet participation in the final negotiations. But there is little hope here now that the Russians will alter their position. In that case, the Islanders believe a treaty can be formulated without Russia.

But they realize it may be costly. For one thing, it probably would end even the present faint hope that Japan might realize something in reparations settlement — for the billion dollars worth of industrial equipment Russia has removed from Manchuria.

Important  
More importantly, many Japanese fear Russia would utilize technical continuation of a state of war as a future black-jack to augment the strategic position of her troops on the Asiatic mainland.

Japan's desire for an early peace stems from both pride and business. She wants to regain her international self-respect and her vital economic rights quickly. The Nipponese feel that Russia purposely is delaying this status and it would do little good to outwait her.

No defeated aggressor nation in history has been groomed with such understanding thoroughness for a legal peace. The Canberra conference is only one of a series of international endeavours to avoid, in

the mistakes which have complicated Europe.

The Allies in two years of occupation have destroyed a military machine which ravaged Asia. They have attempted to wear a people away from medievalism which permitted that aggression. Now they carefully are trying to prod Japanese industry into relative economic independence to produce the stability essential for peace.

General Douglas MacArthur has emphasized that Japan is ready for a formal treaty. Her opportunity and regimented orders with a unanimity the more striking when compared with Germany's sullenness. She is physically neutralized. She has a legal and functional government.

But Japan is not ready for a sudden removal of strict Allied supervision. This may be necessary for a full generation. Basically the people have changed little from the disciplined willows that bent with war winds. Reforms have just begun. The same forces which won control of the country in the thirties are waiting for a chance to come back.

A Fear  
That is one reason why sober Japanese have asked that the United States troops remain in Japan for an indefinite period after the treaty is signed. They have expressed a fear that without this military symbol of authority, power groups will become more active and more successful in thwarting the rule of the people.

The main reason, however, is Russia. Japan will technically become a sovereign state under a constitution renouncing war and abolishing armed forces. The first thing her people see is a curve of Soviet power from Siberia to North Korea and the Kurile Islands on Japan's doorstep.

This fear has combined with a predominant American position here to place Japan squarely in the United States orbit. For a long time the Japanese will regard American bases in the Pacific as their primary defence in a world which is not yet ready for the idealism of their "anti-war" constitution. — Associated Press.

Athens, Aug. 23.  
The twelve-year-old King of Iraq, Faisal II, on his way to school in England where he is to be educated, landed here today from the liner "Krinak" on a sight-seeing trip. He was accompanied by the Queen Mother Ali. Representatives of King Faisal of Greece and of the Greek Government went on board to welcome him. — Reuter.